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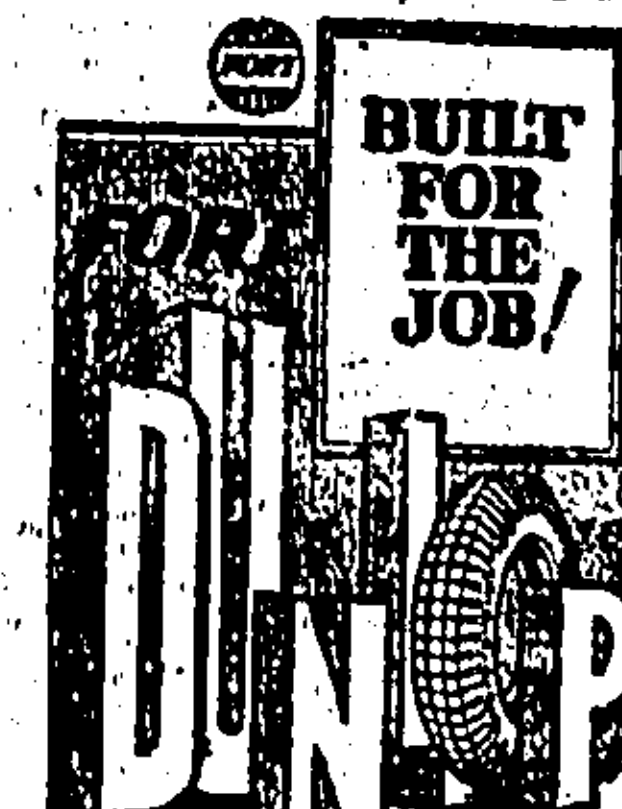
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MACAO RACES TO-MORROW.

New Club's First Race Meeting.

CARD OF SEVEN EVENTS.

[By "Wombat."] An attractive card of seven events will be decided at the inaugural meeting of the Macao Jockey Club which will be held at the Arca Preta, Macao, to-morrow afternoon, the first race to commence at 1.30 sharp.

The Inaugural Plate, over a distance of one mile and a quarter, is the principal race on the programme and should result in a win for Captain Moir's entry, Picallilli.

Other races on the card are the Opening Cup for ponies owned by members of the Machine Gun Troops of the H.K.V.D. Corps.

The Macao Shink Handicap and the Praia Grande Handicap for "C" Class ponies should be two interesting events, while the Yuen-Sue Stakes for "D" class ponies and the Farewell Handicap, which will bring the meeting to a close, should also prove exciting events.

Steamers leave Hong Kong to-day and to-morrow for Macao and a reference to our advertising columns give all particulars as to sailing times.

I have been informed that E. the Governor of Macao will be present at the meeting, also a first-class military band of one of the regiments stationed at Macao.

Admittance to the members' stand is by badge only.

The price of admission to the public enclosure is 20 cents.

SELECTIONS.

1st Race:—

Reo Leaves.

Fox Trot.

Boston.

2nd Race:—

Bay of Bellingham II.

Arctic Eve.

Movanagher.

3rd Race:—

Picallilli.

Rooslan.

4th Race:—

Wise Stag.

Mongolian Stag.

Cream Cracker.

5th Race:—

Sonny Boy.

Groombridge.

Silver Key.

6th Race:—

Mindoro.

Acacia Leaf.

Mongolian Stag.

7th Race:—

Thunderous Stag.

Happy Day.

Celerity.

TENDERS ACCEPTED.

The following names of successful tenderers (without the amounts divulged) are notified for general information in the Government Gazette:—

Un Long Nullah and Improvements, Messrs. Hop Hing & Son.

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Wooden Refuse Junk for the Sanitary Department, Messrs. Kwong Cheung Hing.

Latrine at U-Hing Lane, Messrs. Man Gang.

Purchase of old type Prison Department, Messrs. Shing Koo Hop.

Market at Praya East Reclamation, Messrs. Tam Construction Co.

A Copenhagen shop offers for sale parts of the fingeralls of King Alexander of Serbia, cut by day before he was assassinated in 1903. The marked price is 10s.

NAUTILUS SAFE

RADIO MESSAGE TO TROMSOE.

"ALL'S WELL." GRAVE ANXIETY ALLAYED.

Oslo, Yesterday.

The Nautilus is safe. Radio communication with the Nautilus was established at 11 o'clock last night by the Meteorological Institute Wireless Station at Tromsøe.

The Nautilus sent greetings and declared all was well.

Earlier Cables.

London, Yesterday.

There is still no definite news as to the whereabouts of the Nautilus.

Reuters' correspondent at Oslo doubts whether the signals intercepted by the Norwegian coast ship Ingertre, mentioned yesterday, were from Sir Hubert Wilkins, as they were on a wavelength which he had never previously used in communicating between Bergen and America.

A Relief Expedition.

Oslo, Yesterday. The Prime Minister has announced that the Norwegian Government will probably take measures to send a relief expedition in search of the Nautilus.

Plans will be formed in detail during the day.

Vessel to Start on Search. The Premier states that the sloop Fridtjof Nansen, which is now at Harstad, has been ordered to be in readiness to sail northward to search for the Nautilus, and probably will be ordered to sail during the day.

The Prime Minister stated earlier that either the sealer Veiding or the Fridtjof Nansen would be sent.—Reuter.

DISARMAMENT AND BRITAIN.

Preparing Work Going Ahead.

RUMOURS DENIED.

London, Yesterday.

An authoritative denial is issued concerning rumours that Britain is likely to be responsible for the postponement of the Disarmament Conference, as on the other hand, preparatory work in connection with the Conference in London is proceeding apace.—Reuter.

TROPICAL FRUIT BY AIR.

For the first time mangoes, the much-prized tropical fruit, are now on sale in London in a fresh condition.

Gathered in Egypt late on Saturday evening, they are placed on board the Imperial Airways flying-boat leaving Alexandria for London with the Indian and African air-mail early on Sunday morning.

The mangoes arrive at Croydon on Tuesday afternoon, within approximately 60 hours of leaving Egypt, and are conveyed immediately by motor-car to the West-End, being on sale the same evening.

Mangoes ripen rapidly and, hitherto, owing to the time occupied by surface transport, the problem has been to get them to London before they have become over-ripe.

The speed of the Imperial Airways trans-Egypt services is to be utilised regularly now in providing London not only with fresh mangoes, but also with other tropical fruit of this nature.

INSPECTION OF MUI-TSAI.

Powers of Government Inspectors.

NO WARRANT REQUIRED.

The regulations made by the Governor in Council under the Female Domestic Service Ordinance, 1923, and amended in 1930, have been further amended as follows:

The inspection and control of mui-tsai shall be carried out and undertaken by the Governor to be Inspectors of Mui Tsai.

The powers of every such inspector shall be as follows:—

(a) to enter, during the daytime, the domestic and other premises of the employer of any mui-tsai for the purpose of ascertaining particulars of the services performed by and of the condition and treatment of any such mui-tsai.

(b) to enter, at any time of the day or night, any premises whatsoever in which such inspector has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any mui-tsai is concealed, or detained, or overworked, or ill-treated, or ill-conditioned, or misused, or uncared for, or is in need of protection, care or succour, or medical or other attention or assistance.

(c) to interrogate any mui-tsai or suspected mui-tsai, and if he considers that the circumstances so require, to cause her to be medically examined.

(d) to take any mui-tsai or suspected mui-tsai to the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for the purposes of investigation and inquiry.

(e) to require and person, whether the employer or not, to give and provide all reasonable facilities, information and assistance to any such inspector in the carrying out of his duties and powers.

Every person shall comply with all reasonable requirements of any such inspector.

These regulations shall be sufficient authority for the exercise by any such inspector of his powers under these regulations; no warrant shall be necessary or required, but upon the request of the owner or occupier of any premises entered, or of any person of whom he shall make any requirement, he shall produce his appointment if so requested.

In the exercise of any of such powers an inspector may be accompanied by not more than three persons approved in writing in that behalf by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The foregoing regulations 9-13 in no way supersede or override any power or authority of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, or of any other officer or authority.

PAWNBROKERS' LICENCES.

The regulation contained in the first schedule to the Pawnbrokers Ordinance, 1930, has been rescinded and the following regulation is substituted therefor:—

There shall be paid, in respect of every pawnshop, pawnbrokers, licence fees according to the following scale per annum:—

A. City of Victoria, west of the Sooi Kun Poo Nullah, and Kowloon and New Kowloon west of the Railway as far as and including Shamshulpo, \$2,500.

B. City of Victoria, and areas east of the Sooi Kun Poo Nullah, to the boundary of War Department land east of A. Kung Ngam, and also Aberdeen and Apichau, and Kowloon and New Kowloon east of the Railway as far as and including Kowloon City and Kai Tak, \$2,000.

C. Elsewhere on the Island of Hong Kong, and the remainder of New Kowloon, \$1,000.

D. The remainder of the New Territories, \$500.

DRAMATIC SIEGE

STRIKERS HOLD OUT AGAINST POLICE.

FOR SIX HOURS

A PERFIDIOUS SURRENDER.

Madrid, Yesterday.

Another serious incident occurred in Barcelona to-day following the dramatic siege of the headquarters of the Building Trade Union where strikers equipped with rifles and an unlimited supply of ammunition held out against the police for six hours and only surrendered when the authorities threatened to bombard the building with artillery.

As the strikers were being brought out some of their number, it is alleged, fired on the police. The latter returned the fire, and 3 people were killed and 5 seriously injured. Sixteen out of the forty prisoners escaped amid the ensuing confusion.—Reuter.

STILL MORE RAIN.

The report from the Royal Observatory to-day states: Depressions are central S. E. of Vladivostok and over the Tongking Gulf. Forecast—S. winds moderate; generally cloudy; some rain.

A BOOK THIEF.

Incident in Kelly and Walsh's Shop.

HEAVY FINE.

Wong Yat, formerly a teacher at Canton, was at the Central Police Court this morning before Mr. Williams charged with the larceny of a book, valued at \$2.50, the property of Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., Chater Road. Defendant, in pleading guilty to the charge, said that it was a mistake on his part. Mr. A. S. Abbott, manager of Kelly & Walsh, was in Court as the complainant.

It was stated by the Police that yesterday defendant entered the shop and asked to buy a book. The salesman went away to wrap the parcel up, and on his return he observed a book to fall from defendant. At the charge-room, another book was found in defendant's possession. It was added that many books had been taken from the shop recently.

Mr. Williams imposed a fine of \$50 or, in default one month's hard labour.

CONSERVING SAND.

Schedule J to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, has been amended by the insertion, next after regulation 4, of the following regulation:—

4A. Any permit for the obtaining of sand, may be limited to the collection of a stated quantity. The charges to be made in respect of each and every permit granted by the Director of Public Works under these regulations shall be determined by him in each case.

As regards the New Territories, except New Kowloon, these regulations shall be read and construed as if the words "District Officer" appeared instead of the words "Director of Public Works."

SURVIVORS OF THE TYPHOON.

41 Picked Up By Fishing Junk.

4 BY STORMCLOUD.

More news regarding damage suffered by junks during the typhoon is to hand to-day, according to Police reports. Cargo junk 2138-V is reported to have drifted from the harbour to Kwai Ching Bay, where she became waterlogged and finally sank. The value of the boat and property is estimated at \$1,800.

Cheung Fat-kung, master of fishing junk 5803-HW, reported that while sailing yesterday from Limma Island, in Chinese territory to Shaikwan, he picked up forty-one persons from four wrecked junks. He also observed many more survivors sheltering on Lema Island.

H.M.S. Stormcloud was sent out yesterday afternoon to assist the Police in searching the Lema Islands for survivors of junks wrecked in the recent typhoon.

A thorough search was carried out, and considerable wreckage was seen.

Four wrecked junks were found with crews standing by them on Puntin Island. One member of each junk was brought back to Hong Kong, the remainder remaining to stand by their craft.

SILK STORE MANAGER SWINDLED.

Forged U.S. \$10 Note.

Another swindle has been brought to the notice of the Police department, in a report made by Mr. J. B. Mahaprami, manager of the New Silk Bazaar, 45 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. Mahaprami stated that yesterday a Chinese male, attired in white European style cotton clothing, wearing no necktie, entered the store and purchased goods to the value of \$3. He received \$37 change on tendering a U.S.A. \$10 note. Later it was discovered that the note was forged.

The culprit is described as being between 25 and 30 years of age, and of medium height.

ADEN RAILWAY OF MEMORIES.

Intercepting War Raid.

A "complete metre-gauge railway," with rolling stock and equipment at Aden is advertised for sale.

This railway lies along a route of painful memories for a certain Welsh Territorial Brigade.

During the earlier part of the war there was at Lahaj, some twenty miles away, a Turkish commander of disturbing initiative in the matter of making unexpected raids in the direction of Aden. Indeed, on one occasion he actually advanced as far as the northern shore of the harbour.

His activities naturally caused considerable anxiety to the authorities in Aden, and it was on the occasion of one of his raids that the brigade, referred to was sent out to intercept him.

Fresh from Britain, however, a number of men were overcome by the heat and fell dead by the way during the march from Steamer Point towards Lahaj. It was as a sequel to this episode that the railway material was sent from India for the construction of a short line along this route.

SCHNEIDER RACE

FRANCE AND ITALY WITHDRAW.

DEFINITE NOW

BRITISH PILOTS DISAPPOINTED.

London, Yesterday.

France and Italy have officially intimated that they will not compete for the Schneider Trophy.—Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Another surprise in connection with the Schneider Trophy was sprung this morning, when it was learned that France and Italy, after receiving intimation that the race could not be postponed, telegraphed at midnight the names of pilots nominated in their teams.

This is considered in well-informed circles to mean that both countries may reconsider the whole question of participation.

The Italians are, Major Casinelli, Lieutenant Scapinelli, Neri and Bellini, and Sergeant-Major Agello. The French pilots are Captain Sadi Lecointe, Lieutenant Assolant and Captain Vernhol, the reserves being Lieutenant Retourna and Sergeants Baillet and Dumas.

The British airmen were all along hoping that, no official withdrawal having yet arrived, a last-moment decision to compete would be made.

The British pilots are desperately keen to match themselves against the best that both Italy and France can send, and have the utmost faith in the capacity of their machines, in spite of the fact that the challenging nations have devoted two years to preparation and that the British decision not to defend the trophy was only reversed a few months ago.

Much of the credit for the British machines' success belongs to Mr. Mitchell, the brilliant young designer of the Supermarine seaplane, and the Rolls-Royce firm, Napier, whose engines have twice won the contest, and the Gloster Aircraft Company, have also contributed greatly to Britain's successful high speed research.

The Times, while sympathising with the earlier disappointment of the British pilots, says, "The Schneider races have unquestionably done wonders in raising the standard of technique of aircraft construction, and the skill of the racing pilots. But the time has come when the risk of life and limb, and the heavy expense which they entail, are no longer justified by the advantages to be gained."—Reuter and British Wireless Service.

WHEAT FOR CHINA.

Transaction Now Put Through.

Washington, Yesterday.

President Hoover has announced that the Chinese Government has accepted the Farm Board's wheat proposals.—Reuter.

[15,000,000 bushels are to be bought and sold, and the wheat is only to be used to relieve the victims of the flood, the price to be that prevailing on the date of shipment. The Chinese Government to accept sole responsibility for payment.]

EARL PKEEL.

New Lord Privy Seal.

London, Yesterday.

Earl Peel has been appointed Lord Privy Seal.—Reuter.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS PROGRESS.

New Terminus at Victoria Station.

SAVING TIME.

Imperial Airways have now moved from their previous Executive Offices in Charles Street, Lower Regent Street, London, to their new Airway Terminus, which is situated at the entrance to the continental departure platforms of Victoria Station, Southern Railway.

It is the tendency nowadays, in great cities, for specific industries to congregate in given areas. In London, for example, there is passenger shipping industry in Cockspur Street, the motor car industry in Great Portland, and the larger hotels tending toward the Mayfair district.

Now, by this move of Imperial Airways, modern travel interests are moving westward, and Victoria is becoming the departure centre for passengers who journey by road, rail, or air to the South and the continent.

The establishment of the new Airway Terminus at Victoria enables the time of an airway journey from the West-End of London to the centre of Paris to be reduced to 3 hours 40 minutes.

Easier access to the Croydon air-station by road from Victoria saves approximately 5 minutes, while the use of the London-Paris air service of the new and faster 4-engine air-liners of Imperial Airways enables a saving of 15 minutes to be effected on the flight between Croydon and Le Bourget, the net time-saving on a door-to-door journey between the two cities being 20 minutes.

The new Airway Terminus provides every modern travel luxury—large booking offices, lounges, waiting-rooms, and buffet; while passengers are conveyed in fast saloon motor-coaches between Victoria and the aerodrome at Croydon.

An awning from the entrance of the Airway Terminus connects with that of the Southern Railway, it now being possible to walk under shelter from the railway station into the Airway station, a convenience which will be appreciated by passengers arriving by train at Victoria from the South of England on their way by air to the Continent, or along the Imperial Airways Empire services to Egypt, Iraq, India, and Central Africa. Among the many advantages of the new terminus is its easy access from the City.

The establishment of these facilities ensure, at every stage of an airway journey, still higher standard of speed and comfort.

FISHERMEN DROWN A WHALE.

BRIGHTON ADVENTURE.

Five Brighton fishermen have had a singular adventure with a 20-foot long Thresher whale.

The whale was laid out in the fish market, and publicly exhibited. It is the largest caught near Brighton for many years.

Early in the morning the whale entered the nets of a motor fishing smack, the Wildflower, dragged the nets down and sank the pointer light. It lashed out furiously, and another fishing-boat was summoned by signal.

The men beat the creature with oars, and it retaliated by violent struggles, and nearly capsized the Wildflower. The conflict was waged for nearly an hour in semi-darkness, and eventually the injured whale was towed for a long distance under water until its struggles ceased.



The WOMAN'S Page



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PINAFORE FROCK.

The Parisienne has adopted the pinafore frock with enthusiasm because she finds it "amusing" to have one really nice foundation on which to build up various schemes. Morning, afternoon, and, for quite informal occasions, evening—each time has its own version of this useful garment.

For the morning, there is the very nice sports or country suit, made in light-weight tweed or the new jersey cloth. The frock is tailored and perfectly fitted, but the top is cut just like a bathing suit, under which you can ring the changes on a series of smart little blouses in different styles and materials.

For motoring or games, the best choice of blouse is one of woven silk or wool, which can have elbow or long sleeves. Then there is the new wool tulle, which makes such perfect little games blouses; or you may prefer thick crepe-de-chine, plainly made and ornamented only with self-coloured stitching and mother o'pearl buttons. With another blouse in one of the finer shantung, you have a good selection, but each one must tone so perfectly with the frock material that it seems part of the suit itself. A long straight coat, or a cardigan, in the same material as the dress, completes the ensemble.

The afternoon pinafore is made of madras, margotain and heavy crepe-de-chine as a rule, with blouses of natural or white lace, not embroidered muslin, or broderie Anglaise.

PARIS WELCOMES FANS.

Fans are back in fashion's favour in Paris.

The new fans have little in common with the big ostrich models which mislaid used to sweep about, however. They are small and sophisticated, without a feather in their composition.

Most of them are about ten inches long, with mother-of-pearl or ebony sticks combined with spangled chiffon, much like the fans great-grandfather used to carry.

WRINKLES.

A Scratch On A Woman's Soul.

Dr. Josef Ginsburg writes: A wrinkle is a scratch on a woman's soul: each tiny line gives her infinite sadness, for these lines are the marks of a vanishing youth. Women are greatly concerned to know the cause of wrinkles and a cure for them—or at least a help. Wherever the fatty tissues of the skin disappear in the form of ridges, the upper layer of the skin selects these ridges to furrow the surface of the face with unevenness and depressions ordinarily called wrinkles.

I shall tell you why the fatty tissue of the skin disappears in ridges and why the face, most exposed part of the human body, becomes old and wrinkles while the rest of the body is still smooth and youthful.

The muscles of the face differ from the body muscles in that they are not attached to the bone at each end. Facial muscles are attached at one end to the bone and at the other to the skin. To express various emotions and feelings we use different muscle or combinations of muscles. These little muscles are at rest only when we sleep. And when we talk our facial muscles are constantly being used and the skin creased and stretched and pulled.

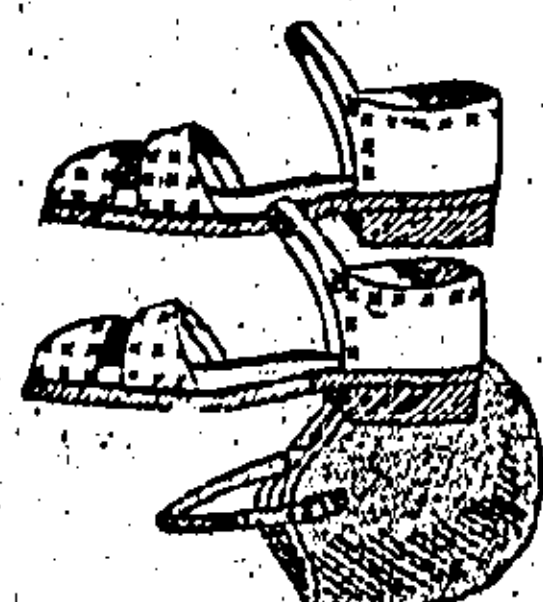


All this usage has the same effect on the face that creasing and folding a piece of linen has on that fabric. The parts of the face most used wrinkle and fold the most deeply, just as our shoes wrinkle at points where there is the greatest stress.

Thinking, hard studying, knitting of eyebrows, concentration, laughing, smiling and other facial expressions are constantly carving wrinkles for us. Also, it is well to remember that the number and depth of our wrinkles depend largely on our general health and our skin health.

Premature aging may be laid at the door of sorrow, incorrect vision, ill-fitting glasses, late hours, lack of rest and sleep, improper food, and the frequent use of liquor full of impurities.

Such external causes at tropical climate, too much exposure or bad cosmetics—especially those contain-



PARIS WOMEN.

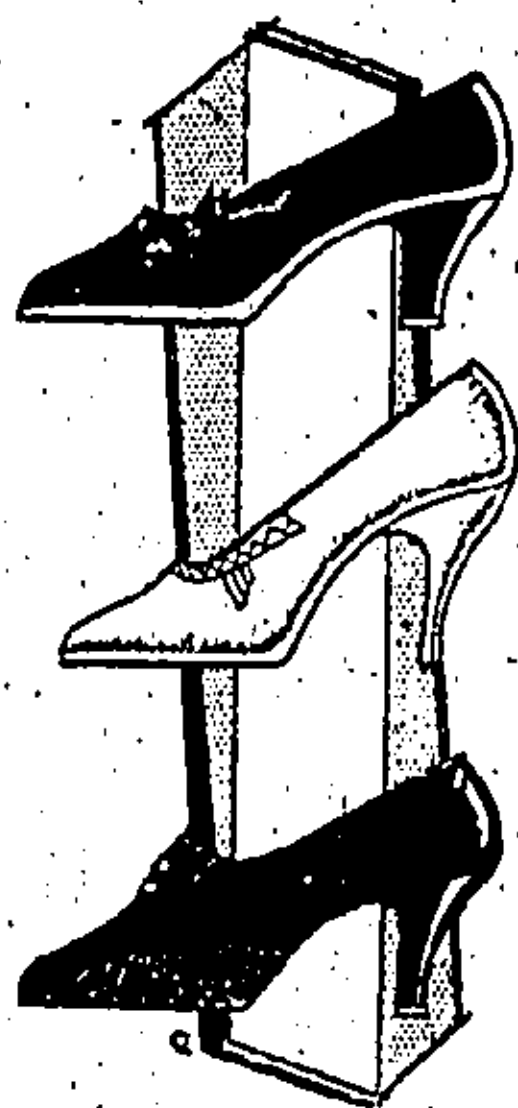
Dress Up Before Going To Sleep.

[By Mary Knight, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

Paris, July 14. "All dressed up and going to bed," is the slogan of the fashionable woman in Paris to-day. "Nightly necklaces" are now the vogue, and, believe it or not, you must wear beads in bed that match the "nighty," so that the perfect harmony of dreams may not be broken.

And these new bedtime beads are not ordinary beads. They are perfumed and wait their romantic aromas through the still of the night and evoke dreams that might otherwise remain dormant. There are some, one hears, that are radium coated, for the wife who wanders in her sleep, so that her worried husband may locate her easily!

For daytime or convalescent lounging, a variety of colours can be introduced, but the many colour idea is not advocated for sleeping purposes. Where one goes in for colour, however, one should go in deep—use all the shades and nuances and contrasts available or possible a veritable rainbow. Blue sheets with pink and lavender lace, or embroidery, or bands at the top with pillow cases coinciding with the motif. A counterpane of green



AUSTRALIA OFFENDED.

Melbourne, July 18. Considerable disturbance is being raised in Australia over the amount of clothing women athletes should wear.

It started following a letter to the Victorian Women's Athletic association, in which girl athletes were described as "shameless and brazen" in going about in "short pants like men," and being re-



sponsible for "awful crimes" through their "immodesty of dress." The association's secretary answered that "shorts" were essential for proper freedom of leg action, and that girls were taken away from the "temptations of life" by their outdoor exercise. Associated Press.

Three tablespoonfuls of baking soda dissolved in a quart of warm water and applied with a rough cloth will remove old varnish, leaving the woodwork smooth.

satin with applique designs of yellow and beige and blue and rose and, or anything else you can think of. The bed tray may be ebony with gold dishes, or the tray may be gold with ebony china bearing one brilliant flower painted in the centre. In such an instance it is amusing to dye the breakfast soft boiled egg with the same design, a decorative bit as it stands upright in its small container.

But back to the beads. Their scent may be varied as widely as there are perfumes. When the odour of a strand has lost its strength the beads may be rescented with another essence and their life prolonged indefinitely.

Children's socks will not wrinkle round the leg and fall down if they are never ironed after being washed.



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The author declares that what is called Occult Power is nothing but a scientific application of the laws of Suggestion, and that anyone can easily learn and apply these laws. Astonishing results are reported by those who have tested the new system.

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BACKS COME BACK.

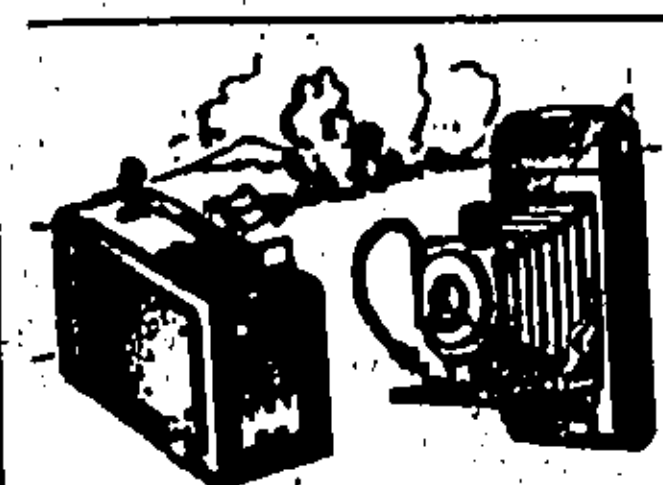
It is important that the back be as attractive and as much care be apportioned to it as in dressing the front. To that end, crystal beads are worn longer down the back than in front. The tri-cornered hat in the afternoon dress comes to an attractive point at the rear of the head.

Cut glass and glass figures in the modern style are given great brilliancy if cleaned with tissue paper moistened with a few drops of eau de Cologne. This is a quite inexpensive method, only a little eau de Cologne being needed to keep the glass clean for some time.

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E. M. GRACE UNFORGIVEN.

When Phil Mead and "Patsy" Hendren equalled W. G. Grace's record of centuries, some of the other remarkable figures set up by W. G. were recounted.

It is inevitable, of course, that the name of the G.O.M. should always be cropping up, but it is strange that we should so rarely see mention these days of his brother, E. M. Grace, who was always called the "Coroner," and who was, in many respects, an even more extraordinary personality than W. G. himself.

One of the strangest incidents the "Coroner" was concerned in happened at the Oval a good many years ago. He was playing for the Gentlemen of the South against the United South and was bowling to H. Jupp, a stonevaller of his time.

E. M. was sending down his lob and got tired of Jupp's defensive methods. "I'll give him a high toss," remarked the "Coroner," and straightaway sent down a ball which went right above the batsman's head and actually fell plumb on the wickets. The crowd were up in arms at once. They shouted at Jupp not to leave, and some of the more ebullient objectors began to swarm on to the pitch and assume such a threatening attitude that members of the Gentlemen's team, fearing a riot, drew up the stumps to arm themselves against attack. Somehow or other matters were quietened down and Jupp retired—for there was nothing in the rules against this method of getting a man out. The Oval crowd, however, never forgave E. M. for that lob.

The anniversary of W. G.'s birthday, who would now have been 83 had he lived, has given rise again to the oft-debated question of the raising of a memorial to him at Bristol.

The proposals vary from the placing of a tablet on the front of the house in the city where he lived and practised as a doctor to the erection of a life-sized statue on the famous Clifton Downs, where he played his early cricket and where young Bristolians of today have innumerable pitches.

The city, at present, has no memorial of any kind to the great sportsman whose name was so intimately associated with it, and the suggestion of a statue, though it may not materialise in the present difficult times, is likely to be taken up in earnest in the near future.

SPORTS CLUB STAGE NEW TOURNEY.

Progressive Auction Bridge.

R. M. da ROCHA THE WINNER.

A silver cup presented by the President of the Sports Club, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, for the winner of a progressive auction bridge tournament, attracted twenty-five members last night at the Sports Club.

At the conclusion Mr. Shenton handed the cup to the winner, Mr. R. M. da Rocha.

The complete scores were: Plus—R. M. da Rocha, 2,670; J. S. Gubbay, 1,758; J. P. Braga, 1,465; R. Ohl, 1,411; Andrew Zimmern, 1,305; H. Odell, 827; H. H. Priestley, 812; M. K. Lo, 597; Wong Sik-chung, 466; Dr. S. To Wong, 330; W. A. Zimmern, 2.

Minus—Dr. F. Bunje, 149; Lo Cheung-shiu, 156; A. Becker, 157; H. Hong Sing, 158; A. H. Carroll, 397; M. H. Lo, 646; Harold Seth, 758; Jim Choa, 920; A. J. P. Heard, 946; G. F. Gilbert, 1,436; C. M. Mannere, 1,714; Horace Lo, 1,911; W. E. L. Shenton, 2,197.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—To-day—Third Y.M.C.A. Trial.

PING PONG—To-day—Singles Championship—Siu Siu-kow v. Wong Hok-ming at Empress Hotel.

LAWN BOWLS—To-day—First Division—Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C.; Second Division—H.K. Electric R.C. v. Club de Recreo, Kowloon C.C. v. Tai-koo R.C. Yacht Club v. Craigengower C.C.

FOOTBALL—Tuesday—H.K.F.A. Council Meeting at 5.30 p.m.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day, Monday and Tuesday—An England XI v. New Zealand at Folkestone.

Gentlemen v. Players at Scarborough.

GOLF—To-day—U.S. Amateur Championship at Beverley County Club (Last Day); Ireland v. Scotland.

FOOTBALL—To-day—Full English and Scottish Programmes.

ROMANIA—To-morrow—Italian Grand Prix.

ATHLETICS—To-morrow—France v. Germany in Paris.

"I will give Don Bradman his due as a great batsman, but I declare, without hesitation that the groundsmen of England enhanced his reputation."—George Geary (Leicestershire).

BLUES WITHHELD FROM SPORTSMEN.

Two Glasgow Players Violate Rules.

RUGBY INCIDENTS.

Two of Glasgow University's premier sportsmen have failed to qualify for a Blue on account of a breach of the rules.

One is T. M. Hart, the Rugby and cricket Blue of Oxford University, who, by playing cricket for Clydesdale when his ability could have been well used by the Varsity eleven automatically lost his chance of gaining the most coveted student sports honour. In spite of his being given his international cap while playing Rugby for Glasgow Varsity, his Blue was withheld.

The other is Ian Borland, ex-Scottish quarter-mile champion. Borland's performances in inter-Varsity contests were well worth a Blue and, like Hart, he failed to qualify because he preferred to play in the Academic fifteen to that of his Alma Mater.

GOLF.

Starting Times for To-Morrow.

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanning to-morrow:—

9.20 a.m.	A. D. Humphreys, O. Eager.
9.24	H. W. Duley, G. T. May.
9.28	A. Reid, D. J. Gilmora.
9.32	Dr. J. McElney, J. R. Collis.
9.36	A. Leach, D. S. Robb.
9.40	A. C. I. Bowker, W. N. Buyers.
9.44	A. O. Brawn, W. R. Vallance.
9.48	T. R. Chassels, R. C. Law.
9.52	Dr. C. H. Burton, J. R. Hinton.
9.56	G. W. Reeve, G. Bond.
10.28	Capt. Anderson, E. Gimble.
10.32	J. H. Geare, E. O. Priestley.

There is a great similarity in many respects between big boxing and tennis matches. The psychology of the crowd and the players is much the same. In both cases the audience is brought into very close touch with those taking part in a way that a cricket or football crowd further away never is. In tennis and boxing the finer points of the game can be closely followed; every little action and mannerism of the players can be clearly seen from the stands; nothing escapes; tennis has indeed the intimate touch.—Sir F. Gordon Lowe.

"BIG THREE" OF SCOTTISH FOOTBALL

Scotland opened her new football season on Saturday. That may be another chilly thought for those whose turn in the "Summer" holiday rota has still to come, but as the pools swelled on the cricket pitches at Manchester, Bradford, Nottingham, and Birmingham—to mention a few of the county grounds only—there must have been many less reluctant than usual to contemplate the coming of the more robust sporting "monarch." Perhaps when the British season begins on the last Saturday of the month the heat-waves will be here and football will seem like a dusty and perspiring intruder.

However, that may be, there was no doubt about the welcome given to the Winter game in Scotland. The programme contained several attractive contests, the settlement of the intermediate dispute bore early fruit in the appearance of new young players with the Scottish League clubs, and the weather is reported to have been ideal—for football. But what Scottish football needs as much as anything is the tonic of a shuffle. It is too much to expect that Glasgow's grip on the prizes can be relaxed, but hope springs eternal that one of the Rangers' neighbours will at last be able to relieve them of the championship monopoly. There was

no immediate result to support that hope, because for the fourth year in succession Dundee returned from Ibrox Park with a three goals deficit—excluding, of course, their sensational success in the last Cup tournament. The Rangers had two young players in their attack, English and Nicholson, the latter taking the place of Alan Morton (who, it is interesting to note, has again signed for the champions), and the pair obtained three of the team's four goals.

Africa is so Bracing! Celtic and Motherwell completed a splendid kick-off for Glasgow's "Big Three," the former repeating last season's score of three clear goals against the Athletic at Leith, McGrovy, scoring twice, while Motherwell, in spite of their strenuous tour in South Africa, were much too good for the amateurs at Hampden Park, and their 5-1 victory was the most decisive in the League. Queen's Park, however, are notoriously bad starters, probably because their preparation for the season is more casual than that of the professional clubs. They scored the first goal, but their defence was the chief weakness, and McFadyen quickly brought his name before the eyes of the national selectors by scoring four times. Clyde, who finished so

strongly last season, hoisted another winning flag for Glasgow by beating the disappointing Paisley club, writes the Manchester Guardian.

The promoted clubs had very different experiences. Third Lanark, who returned with a runaway championship after two seasons in the Second Division, were two goals to the good at Hamilton in fifteen minutes, and though the result was only an odd goal in five defeat for the Academicals the progress of Third Lanark will be watched with interest, for few visiting sides return with a profit from Hamilton. Dundee United, whose form is as in and out as their appearance in the senior competition, lost at home to Heart of Midlothian, who got the only two goals of the match in spite of the fact that Battles was not a scorer. Edinburgh's other clubs, the Hibernian, took the first step towards getting themselves out of the Second Division, but their supporters would not be greatly encouraged either by the nature or the extent of their success, against Alloa, who lost by the only goal. East Fife, who returned to the lower company after a very melancholy experience of the First Division, scored three times after the interval to prevent the lowly Stenhousemuir side from gaining a more surprising visiting success.

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GENTLEMEN DRAW.

Freeman in Amongst Amateurs' Wickets.

RAIN RUINS ALL MATCHES.

London, Yesterday. All three matches in the first-class cricket programme were left drawn as the result of rain being experienced all over the country. Full results as cabled by Reuter were as follows:—

The New Zealanders drew with the Gentlemen of England at Eastbourne.

Scores:—New Zealand: 377 (R. C. Blunt 225). G. of England: 22 for no wicket.

The Gentlemen drew with the Players.

Scores:—

Players: 357 for 6 dec. (Sandham 118). Gentlemen: 196 (Freeman 7 for 44).

Yorkshire drew with the M.C.C. at Scarborough.

Scores:—Yorkshire: 200. M.C.C.: 10 for no wicket.

DON BRADMAN IS QUITE FIT.

VERY OPTIMISTIC.

Sydney, August 7. Don Bradman, the young Australian, batting "star," who is connected with a sports outfitting establishment in the city, was interviewed to-day concerning a report that an injured leg might prevent his playing cricket again.

He said it was in the highest degree unlikely that he would not be able to play during the coming season. "In fact," he said, "my foot is now quite sound and I hope to show even better form than I have ever done before."—Central News.

GOLF DESTROYS THE HOME LIFE.

Since the Husband Was Persuaded.

NATIONAL CURE.

"My husband is a golf fiend. I am a golf widow," wrote a woman reader of The Evening News. She told how golf had destroyed her home life.

And her letter has prompted this from another woman: I read your correspondent's communication on "Golf Fiends" with great interest. She is by no means alone in her misery.

Golf seems to be becoming as great a curse as drink, and the craze seems to be increasing daily.

I have been married for ten years and have three children. My husband is a civil servant in a good position. Until last year I used to look forward all the week to the jolly times we had at the week-end. We went out together on Saturday afternoon and evening. On Sunday mornings my husband often took the children for walks, and the rest of the day we spent happily together.

Occasionally the shadow of golf would hang over us as one or other of his colleagues succumbed to the craze. Last year he was persuaded to go and "have a game," and since that horrible day he has thought of nothing else.

He gets through his work quickly and spends every evening either playing or practising shots. Saturday afternoons and the whole of Sundays are spent with other "golfing fiends." Half-crowns which used to be spent on little surprises for the children are now spent on balls.

People say, "Why don't you take up the game yourself?" But that does not bring back my husband to me. He would infinitely prefer to play with men "of his own weight," who waste their time putting in as much practice as he does.

If I suggest a holiday away together he says, "Why go away when there are so many fine links around here?"

I know I have my children, and they are very lovely, but it was my husband I married, and I married him because I loved him and wanted his company.

Now there is absolutely nothing to look forward to. Golf has made him selfish and callous. If a man is any good at all at the horrible game he lives for it until it becomes an obsession.

It is an expensive hobby, and one which does more to ruin home life and happiness than anything else.

"Golf Wife's" Reply. "It is your own fault!" is this "Golf Wife's" reply to the plaint of the "Golf Widow."

When I married more than ten years ago I realised that my husband had two hobbies—golf and cars. Golf at that time was anathema to me, but I secretly went to a golf professional and took lessons.

"To-day I can give my husband quite a good game if he gives me a stroke on holes of over 350 yards. I am now as keen a golfer as my husband, but believe me, it required concentration!"

"Too many women refuse to con-

HOME FOOTBALL.

To-day's League Programme.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Birmingham	v.	Arsenal
Chelsea	v.	Huddersfield T.
Derby C.	v.	Sheffield U.
Grimsby T.	v.	Newcastle U.
Leicester C.	v.	Manchester C.
Liverpool	v.	Aston Villa
Portsmouth	v.	Blackburn R.
Wolves	v.	Blackpool
Wendnesday	v.	Everton
Sunderland	v.	Blackpool
West Brom.	v.	Middlesbrough
West Ham U.	v.	Middlesbrough

Division II.

Bradford C.	v.	Notts City
Burnley	v.	Stoke C.
Bury	v.	Oldham Ath.
Chesterfield	v.	Charlton A.
Leeds U.	v.	Barnsley
Manchester U.	v.	Swansea T.
Millwall	v.	Plymouth Ar.
Notts For.	v.	Wolves
Port Vale	v.	Bristol C.
Preston N.E.	v.	Southampton
Tottenham H.	v.	Bradford

Division III. (South).

Bristol R.	v.	Crystal Pal.
Cardiff C.	v.	Reading
Clapton O.	v.	Mansfield T.
Coventry C.	v.	Thames
Exeter C.	v.	Brentford
Gillingham	v.	Fulham
Luton T.	v.	Southend U.
Norwich C.	v.	Northampton T.
Queen's P.R.	v.	Bournemouth
Swindon T.	v.	Brighton
Torquay U.	v.	Watford

Division III. (North).

Accrington S.	v.	Doncaster R.
Carlisle U.	v.	Crewe A.
Darlington	v.	Chester
Gateshead	v.	Barrow
Halifax T.	v.	Lincoln C.
Kertham U.	v.	York C.
Stockport C.	v.	Southport
Tranmere R.	v.	New Brighton
Walsall	v.	Hull C.
Wigan B.	v.	Hartlepool U.
Wrexham	v.	Rochdale

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen	v.	Dundee
Clyde	v.	Partick T.
Dundee U.	v.	Cowdenbeath
Falkirk	v.	Airdrieonians
Hamilton A.	v.	Motherwell
Kilmarnock	v.	St. Mirren
Leith Ath.	v.	Hearts
Morton	v.	Third Lanark
Queen's Park	v.	Ayr U.
Rangers	v.	Celtic

Next to the thrill of a long drive, it is my experience that iron shots give the golfer most pleasure. It is indeed thrilling to stand and watch the ball fly straight to the green, especially if the player has had the feel of the club meeting the ball firmly at impact, and to see the ball carrying the cunningly placed bunker.—C. B. Macfarlane.

concentrate on anything but servants and babies. I have a family, but experience has taught me that if my husband acquires a serious hobby, I must take it up seriously too.

"I find life much too full for

golfing. Life is too short. And there are a great many things worse than golf. All intelligent men need a hobby."

DEMPSEY'S ABILITY DOUBTED.



The betting here to-day was even money that Jack Dempsey, the former heavyweight champion of the world, will not knock out Leo Lomax, another "has been," when they meet over four rounds on Labour Day in Reno. Many believe that if he shows up as my husband, it required concentration!

"Too many women refuse to con-

OPEN AIR BOXING BOOM.

PERCENTAGE BASIS.

Probably never before has there been such a boom in the open-air game as at present.

Boxers are realising that the days of big purse guarantees are past—just as they are doing in America—and the game is being set on its legs again because promoters are being enabled to arrange attractive bouts on percentage basis.

Among those who are learning that it does them no good are the heavyweights. Many, it is true, demurred when they learnt that at some open-air promotions the lowest charge for admission was the "nimble tanner."

They have readjusted their views, however, on hearing that crowds from 10,000 to 15,000 are being drawn at those venues.

They have figured that it pays better to fight at such shows than at others where the charges are three times as heavy but much less than a third of the great crowds mentioned.

The result is prosperity for boxers and promoters, and good sport for the public.

CADDIE STRUCK.

Albert Cecil Payne, aged 15, of Dollis Road, Finchley, was killed by lightning while acting as a caddie at the Finchley Golf Club. He was sheltering under a tree, and it is thought that the club he was carrying may have acted as a conductor.

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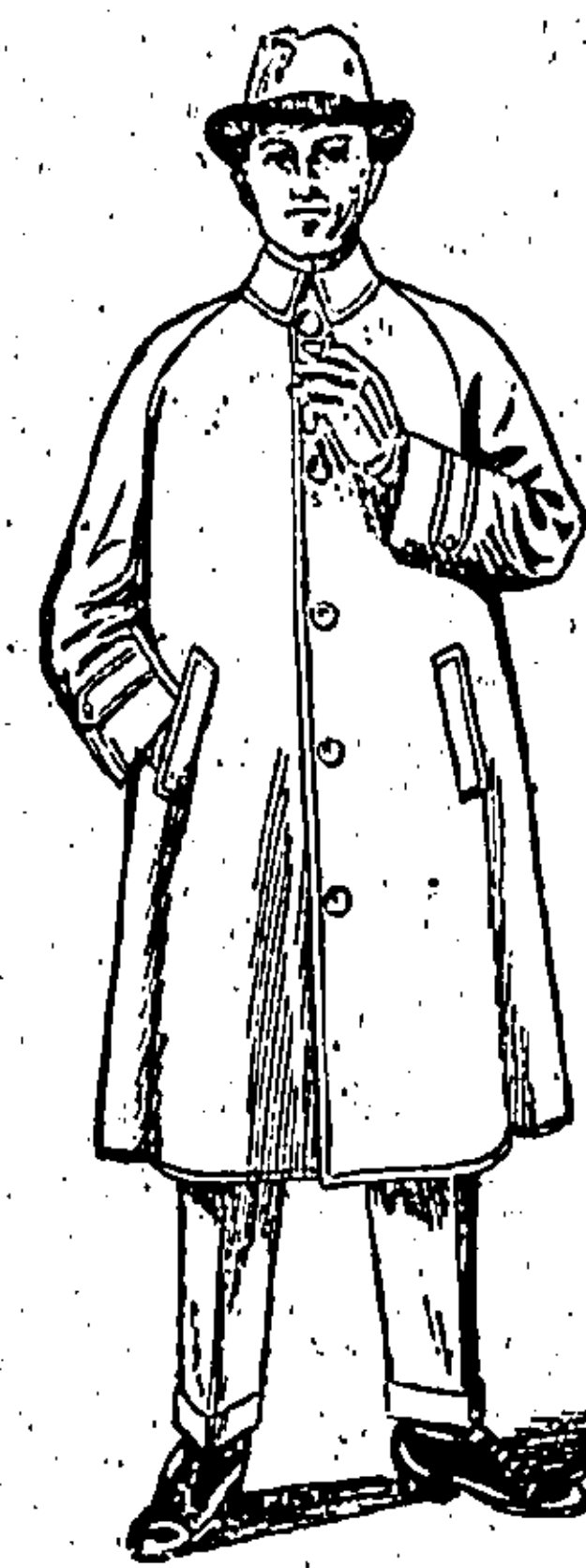
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WHAT IS A BRITISHER?

A man stated at Westminster County Court that he was a "Britisher," and Judge Sir Alfred Tobin asked, "what is that? Can any one define the term?"

A barrister: Some one living in these islands.

Judge Sir Alfred Tobin: Then the ex-King of Portugal would be a "Britisher," but I do not think ex-King Manoel would assert that.



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WHEN AND HOW TO USE THE NIBLICK.

"SCYTHING" TOUGH GRASS.

A golfer was lamenting to me the other day that he had never been given a really helpful piece of advice on how to use a niblick.

Everything that purports to be authoritative advice has made it plain that there is only one way to use a niblick—to hit down hard behind the ball. Yet all the players my friend has noticed who achieve great success with the niblick never do anything of the kind. They hit through the lie, just as though they were using a masher.

This is an interesting fact to explain.

Hit Down Hard.

Good players, when using a niblick for the purpose for which the niblick was intended do, in fact, hit down hard behind the ball, but the true niblick shot need seldom be played, and it seldom is played.

Those niblick shots through the ball which succeed would probably have succeeded as well or better had another club been used.

U.S. golfers know less about niblick play than any other department of the game. The reason is that they seldom get the lies that call for a true niblick shot. Their method is to hit cleanly out of a hazard, which is the method adopted by the majority of players who excel in niblick play without actually playing the niblick shot.

Hazards, for purposes of escape, may be considered as those consisting of soft sand, firm sand, long and tough grass, and water.

The Action of the Ball.

If the sand in a bunker is hard and firm, as it is on a good many inland British courses, then the method of escape is to hit the back of the ball—not an inch behind, not even an eighth of an inch behind, but the actual back of the ball. If the sand is firm, the ball will usually be sitting up well, and a "squeeze" shot will secure the maximum lift.

Hitting firmly down on the back of the ball pinches it up on to the face of the club, and as the club goes through the ball is despatched with considerable loft and backspin.

Don't Take The Club Head Through. A player in a hazard who is not master of this shot may well consider the advisability of sacrificing the stroke and pushing his ball out backwards or sideways.

Given soft sea sand, the true niblick shot is used.

Here the whole object of the player must be not to hit the ball, and not to go through with the club-head. The fatal error with the true niblick is in endeavouring to take the club-head through.

The club-head is punched down and buried into the soft sand behind the ball with all the force that

the golfer can muster. The result of the explosion is to expel an enormous quantity of sand, and the ball with it.

To Get Distance.

As the shot is often played from a bunker guarding a tight green, the great point is to judge how far you will dislodge the ball with your effort.

To drop the ball within a few yards, several inches of sand may be taken—the golfer fixing his gaze on a speck of sand well behind the ball, and not on the ball at all. If greater distance is required, the explosion must be made to occur nearer the ball.

This shot, in soft sand, is quite different from the "squeeze" or "pinch" shot, played in firm sand with any well-lofted club, niblick or not. The weight of the club counts for much more in the explosion shot. The niblick should be a club of some 16 or 17 ounces, with an unbendable shaft and stout head.

In The Rough.

A heavy niblick shot which is not an explosion shot may also be used out of grass—that is tough and exceptionally long.

I know of players who take a spoon, or even a driver, to such lies, since they cannot successfully back through to the roots with any other club. The right club is a niblick, and the right shot to play is to hit so far behind the ball that you are swinging through the roots of the grass as with a scythe when you come to the real object of your effort.

A good many players have asked for a description of the way to master tough grass, and this is it.

Aim to produce a shot that will bring the club-head along the ground for five or six inches before the ball is reached.

The Stance.

Stand with the right foot advanced—with an open stance, that is—and grip the club so firmly that not even the toughest grass will be able to turn its head in your hands. Aim to scythe a way through to the ball, taking the roots of the grass in the process, and do not slow down your swing until you are well on the way in the follow-through.

These are the two true niblick shots, and both depend on hitting well behind the ball. In soft sand, there is no follow-through. In tough grass, there is a swift and slashing follow-through, hacking through everything that gets in the way.

The more direct hits out of hazards are not strictly niblick shots, although they may be played with the niblick.—(China Mail Copyright.)

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DEATH.

DA ROZA.—Died in London on September 4, the result of a motor fatality. Augusto Alberto da Roza (Gussie), dearly beloved son of Carlos Augusto da Roza, age 22 years, deeply regretted.—China and Lisbon papers please copy.

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Saturday, Sept. 5, 1931.

Colony's Health—I.

Hong Kong's wealth is fabulous. So we have been assured and, in spite of the universal trade depression and the languishing Hong Kong dollar, we yet find no reason to dispute it. And, as a people's wealth is said to be its health, it seems obvious that her health must be on the same grand scale. As a matter of fact, we are also assured that Hong Kong is remarkably healthy for its latitude. This happy state of affairs has not always been, for there was a time—once upon a time—when Hong Kong had a very evil name and was coming to be regarded as synonymous for yet another of the "Empire's Eastern Cemeteries." But her "remarkable health" of to-day, as far as can be ascertained—and this is no idle statement—is an abiding tribute to Western medicine.

We have before us to-day the Medical and Sanitary Report for the Year 1930 issued by the Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Hong Kong, from which we gather that "the state of the public health of the Colony as reflected in the statistics and compared with those of former years was good." The crude death rate was 15.14 per mille population, a decrease of 1.63 per mille on the figures for the previous year and less by 4 per mille than the mean for the last ten years. That is good as far as it may go, but the Director points out that, for various reasons, such as the desire of the Chinese to expire in their native towns or villages in the midst of their relations and the consequent exodus of

many who feel death approaching, the number of deaths recorded is considerably lower than would be the case had all who contracted disease here remained until the end, and "the absence of accurate figures for population" make it impossible to obtain rates which would form useful bases for comparisons. Accordingly, the death rate, which is the usual gauge by which the health of a community is measured, must be regarded with some reserve, in the case of Hong Kong.

We are told that respiratory diseases accounted for 38.95 per cent. of the total deaths, and this high percentage is directly attributed to over-crowded, ill-ventilated and badly lighted houses, combined with the expectorating habits of the Chinese.

There seems to be reason to believe that "scourge of mankind"—tuberculosis—continues to rank as the chief cause of mortality. It is unnecessary to remind readers of the terrible manner in which this disease ravages its victims, of its long drawn out agony and extreme debilitating effects on the human system. It is, therefore, with much regret we read that "there is little hope for improvement under present conditions." There is no special sanatorium and no special institute for the care of persons suffering from this chronic disease, and the hospital accommodation, all told, is but one per thousand of population.

The majority of sufferers of this dread disease are obliged to struggle against its ravages in our very midst, eking out a "living death" and ineffectually fighting this disease through many long and weary and painful months, even years. And all this in our very midst spreading the disease and infecting countless others. This is a state of affairs which cannot be contemplated with equanimity any longer. It is surprising that such a state of affairs exists to-day, and yet more surprising that the Director in his report is content simply to state a fact in all its crudity and seek to wash his hands of responsibility with the

words "There is little hope for improvement under present conditions." That is as irresponsible and ineffectual and childish a statement as we have read for many a day. It seems that those responsible are taking too apathetic a view of the state of affairs. There are, no doubt, many and great difficulties in the way, but they are difficulties which must be faced and overcome to-day, else to-morrow and the day after they will have grown to such proportions that Hercules will not be an adequate adjective to apply to them and instead of being overcome will prevail over us and our faith-hearted officials.

[Second article will appear on Monday.]

Mail Commentary.

Falling in Love.

Prof. Sir J. Arthur Thomson, the eminent biologist says in speaking on this subject:—

"My own experience—it is a long reminiscence now—has been that the psychological factor is so enormously potent, and that though it comes along with the activation of the endocrine glands, it is something different, something on a different plane.

"The two, I know, cannot be separated, but while the endocrine glands are fundamental, falling in love is supreme."

So, now we know why Love is said to be blind, why Lovers are a race apart, and why we simply can't help ourselves. When we know more about the "activation of the endocrine glands," we shall be able, in the majority of cases, to prevent ourselves from making fools of ourselves so frequently.

A Nice Point at Law.

Is the age of a man 23 years and five months old 23 or 24 within the meaning of Section 2 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1922?

This question was addressed first to three judges who discussed it without arriving at a decision. It was then placed before five judges of the King's Bench Division—the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart) and Justices Roche, Atkin, Hewart and Humphreys. They did not answer the real point.

The question arose on the appeal of Thomas Chapman against his conviction at Huntingdon Assizes for an alleged offence against a girl under 16. The section of the Act provides that:

"In the case of a man 23 years of age or under the presence of reasonable cause to believe that the girl was over the age of 16 shall be a valid defence on the first occasion on which he is charged with an offence under this section."

Mr. Alban Gordon (instructed by the Registrar of the Court of Criminal Appeal) appeared for Chapman.

Lord Hewart asked whether a man was entitled to plead "infancy" until he was 22 years of age.

Mr. Gordon: I should say not, because "infancy" is a definite period.

Does not a man cease to be 23 the moment he passes into his twenty-fourth year?—I submit not. He is of the age of 23 for a period of 365 days.

In other words he is 23 until he is 24?—That is so.

Mr. Linton Thorp (instructed by the Director of Public Prosecutions), for the Crown, said that one of the categories contemplated, by inference, in the section was a person over the age of 23. Chapman was 23 years and 6 months, and that was over the age of 23.

Counsel submitted that on and after the day a man passed his twenty-third birthday his defence was no longer open to him. The Court should construe the words in a technical sense and not a popular sense.

"A statute is a technical matter; time is a technical matter, capable of mathematical calculation, and technical language should be given effect to technically, not popularly."

Lord Hewart, giving judgment, said that much argument had taken place, and might take place, on the meaning of the words "in the case of a man of 23 years of age or under." Quoting from "Maxwell on the Interpretation of Statutes," Lord Hewart read:

"The effect of the rule of strict construction might almost be summed up in the remark that where an equivocal word or ambiguous sentence leaves a reasonable doubt of its meaning, which the canons of interpretation fail to solve, the benefit of the doubt should be given to the subject, and against the legislature which has failed to explain itself."

On that ground, said the Lord Chief Justice, the Court had decided to allow the appeal and quash the conviction.

Licking Stamps.

A pernicious habit to which all are prone. The office boy is started on "licking stamps" and as chairman of the board of directors continues just as assiduously to lick stamps. It comes so natural, and is so easy and effective. There are, of course, stamp moisteners and dampers which, after a few days of purchase and frenzied use, are left severely alone to ornament the table. Why is this? What is the reason for the persistence of a habit which has been described as "disgusting" and "dangerous," over and over again? Periodically campaigns are started to eradicate this human frailty. Like rockets they blaze their way across the firmament and lose themselves in ineffectual nothingness. It will be interesting to hear a psychologist declaim on this habit. Of what natural urge is it a survivor to-day?

If, as it seems likely, this habit will persist, then, should not the post office, in consultation with the chemist, devise a preparation to be used on the backs of stamps which will contain one of those vitamins, essential for our well-being, about which so much is heard to-day. Different vitamins on the differently coloured stamps, the more important ones on the more expensive stamps. An ideal! And given away gratis.

News in Brief.

The name of Mr. L. N. Murphy has been added to the English Auditors' Advisory Committee.

Miss Leila Hyams, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star, has broken a local screen record, surely, by the fact that she has appeared three times in succession at the Queen's Theatre. They were:—August 24, 25, "Way for a Sailor" with John Gilbert; August 27-September 2 "Stepping Out" with Reginald Denny; September 3-5 "Men Call It Love" with Adolphe Menjou. Incidentally, Miss Hyams is also being featured at the Star Theatre now, in "Thirteenth Chair" with Conrad Nagel.

The N.Y.K. Haruna Maru arrived from London via Marseilles on September 2, the President of the N.Y.K. Mr. K. Kagami, being on board, accompanied by Mrs. Kagami, now returning home from round-the-world tour. It will be recalled that Mr. Kagami attended the World Economic Conference held at Washington in May last, as chief delegate from Japan. Other passengers from Europe are:—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wuthrich, Mrs. B. E. Torigny, Miss M. A. Howlett, H. Huddleston, P. Y. Tang, Mrs. M. Pendleton, A. G. Johnstone, Mrs. H. Haxwell, Mrs. R. Wedderburn, Miss I. Watson, Mrs. F. T. Shirlington, D. S. Morse, Dr. A. Carbone, T. Haugner, M. Gulliksen, J. Lee, Prof. and Mrs. J. Matsunami, Mr. and Mrs. T. Iwasaki, M. Nagai, Miss S. Kodama, F. Enya, M. Iwanami, K. Ando, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hirota, Mrs. K. Totoki, S. Matsumuro, S. Ohmori, and Y. Antoh.

Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen has been appointed an official Justice of the Peace.

At the Rotary Club meeting on Tuesday Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy will speak on "Municipal Socialism."

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 87 degrees. The humidity was 83 at 10 a.m. and 78 at 4 p.m.

It is notified that the name of the Kwong On Company, Limited, has been struck off the Register of Companies.

The rules under the heading "Earth cutting and water-wheel permits," set forth on pages 424-426 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925, are rescinded.

Messrs. Lammi Brothers will auction 125 bales cotton yarn (more or less damaged at the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company's Godowns, Connaught Road West on Monday at 11 a.m.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council.—Ordinance No. 2 of 1931.—An Ordinance to amend the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873.

It is notified that the regulations relating to prospecting and set forth on pages 327-357 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925, in so far as they fix fees and rents and royalties shall not apply to the following:—(a) earth or mud. (b) sand. (c) clay of any kind whatsoever. (d) granite. (e) limestone.

Among the passengers arriving by the Empress of Japan were Mr. P. T. Sung, the new Consul General for Java and his secretary, Mr. H. H. Lee. Mr. Sung and Mr. Lee are now guests of Dr. Frank S. Goon, the proprietor of the Empress Hotel, Ltd., Mr. Sung and Mr. Lee will sail for Java on Tuesday per s.s. Tisalak, of the Java China and Japan Line.

It is notified that after January 1, 1932, in place of the existing entrance fees, charges, payable as are school fees, will be made for the medical inspection of pupils at the following schools.—Queen's College, King's College, Bellios Public School, Ellis Kadoorie School, Yau-mat School, Wantai School, Gap Road School, Vernacular Middle School, and Vernacular Normal School for Women—\$3 per pupil; Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians—\$1 per pupil.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of September 5, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8½.

The excavations in Queen's Road Central, it was explained to a China Mail reporter at the Head Office of the Hong Kong Electric Co., this morning, are incidental to the laying of cable, the present system having practically reached the limit of its capacity. These new cables will be laid throughout the City to meet the growing demand and will eventually form part of the Company's big scheme to increase power from 100 to 200 volts.

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SHOPPER'S PROTEST.

(To the Editor of "China Mail.")
 Sir, I shall be much obliged if you will publish my protest against the withdrawal of the Sincere's "Free Purchase Scheme" as advertised in the China Mail on the 4th inst. Before the plan was launched by the above firm its management should have considered the possibility of carrying it through and now that it has been abruptly cancelled, I am certain most people cannot but feel that they have been unfairly induced into making extra purchases from the Company in the hope of being lucky enough to have all their money refunded to them.

It was this thought that drew such large crowds to Sincere's during the past few days. A ten per cent. discount, which is now substituted for the "Free Purchase Scheme," would have, comparatively speaking, received little attention. It would be highly undesirable if other firms imitated the example set by Sincere's and made similar promises which would only remain unfulfilled, and I trust that the Company will reconsider its decision and remove what must be a blot from the name of a respectable firm.

Yours, etc.,
 J. M. WALKER.
 Hong Kong, September 5.

A BECALMING PSALM.

The following letter was published in the Belfast News-Letter on July 25. We (Harrogate advertise, August 1) may mention that Mei Le Pin is the Chinese name of a former Harrogate resident, Mr. Robert Hart Maze, Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs Service (retired).

Sir, Apropos a reference, which I lately came across in one of your English contemporaries, to the number of small folk who are nervy nowadays: At an early age the late Sir Robert Hart, Baronet, G.C.M.G., of Peking, then living in the fair County of Down, went as a boarder to a school in Dublin. Soon after his arrival an epidemic of measles caused him dire anxiety; and he wrote home to

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List of Forthcoming Events.

September 4.—Children's Swimming Gala, Repulse Bay, 3 p.m.
 September 21.—Lady Peel At Home, Government House, to members and helpers of the M.C.L.
 October 3.—Sale of Work at St. Paul's Girls' College to be opened by Lady Peel at 2.30 p.m.
 October 7.—Whist Drive to be held at the Helena May Institute by Police Branch. Lady Peel has kindly consented to present the prizes.
 October 12.—Sale of work Peak Children's Branch will be held at the Peak Club on Monday October 12 and will be opened by Lady Peel at 3.30 p.m.
 October 22.—Golf and Bridge Tournament at Shek-O Club to be held by the May Road Branch.
 October 31.—Children's Fete and Sale of Work to be held at the Volunteer Headquarters by kind permission of Lt.-Col. L. H. Bird and Officers, R.K.V.D.C.
 November 3.—Bridge and Mahjong Drive to be held at the R.M.A. by the Military Branch.
 November 21.—Dinner Dance to be held in the new Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

RAN OFF WITH GOLF BALL.

A 14-year-old gipsy boy, of Eastwood, Essex, was in Southend Juvenile Court fined 10s. for stealing a golf ball, worth 1s 6d., the property of Mrs. Olga Hilditch. The latter had driven off from the seventeenth tee at Belfairs Golf Course when a dog ran out from the trees which bounded the fairway, picked up the ball, and carried it to the boy, who ran away. It was stated that considerable annoyance had been caused by the thefts of golf balls by boys.

his mother, giving expression to his fear that he might catch the disease. When the letter was received, its addressee showed it to a lady who happened to be staying with her. The guest advised her hostess to tell her small boy to read the 91st Psalm every evening at bedtime and each morning before leaving his room, the calming verses of which would dismiss his apprehension.—Yours, etc.,
 MEI LE PIN.
 London, July 23, 1931.

SMALL BOY BEATS DEALERS.

Auction Comedy at Christie's.

CHARLES I. SALT CELLAR.

What the Elizabethan dramatists were wont to style "A Merrie Enterlude" was enacted at Christie's recently, although the chief actor in it played his part with preternatural gravity.

He was an American youth of about twelve, clad in a sports costume of many diverse colours, and he was accompanied by his father, Mr. Kenyon Vicars Painter, of New York. The moment arrived when the Charles I. plain trencher salt-cellar was reached.

The assembled silver dealers soon found that they had an opponent of the true hall-mark, for the bright lad immediately challenged the opening bid from their ranks. Moreover, in the most approved manner, his bidding was of the silent film order. Raising his index finger to his brow, he immediately caught the eye of the auctioneer, Mr. Gordon Hammen—and held it.

Amused, Competitors. Every time a dealer made an advance the boy countered it with a solemnity that was irresistible. It was evident that he meant to outstay every opponent on the auction stretch. As they dropped out of the contest they sat amused to watch the fate of the rest.

Mr. Wilson was the last to leave the fight, and at the boy's finger-bid of 780s an ounce, a total price of £374 8s., the trophy was knocked down to him. The veteran auctioneer, Mr. Edward Smith, hastened to collect his name, but the father, although evidently very proud of his son's auction debut, properly gave his own.

When Mr. H. B. Jacobsen, of Glasgow, rushed into the street with his clothes alight, a bus driver went to the rescue and put out the flames with a fire extinguisher.

CIVIL SERVANTS' PAY UNDER SWARAJ.

Mr. Gandhi on the Rs. 500 A Month Limit.

CONGRESS TOO GENEROUS.

Bombay, July 30.

Compared with the salaries paid to public servants in Japan, the Congress limit of Rs. 500, as the maximum salary of a public servant under a Swaraj Government in India, is over-generous, says Mr. Gandhi.

Reiterating his conviction on the question of a reduced salary scale under a Swaraj Government, Mr. Gandhi writes in today's Young India: "No item of the 'fundamental right' resolution has come in for so much notice as the resolution limiting the salary of Government servants to not more than Rs. 500 per month."

"Had we not been accustomed to our foreign Government to high salaries for servants in public departments, the limit of Rs. 500 would not have produced any shock."

"There is no sanctity about high salaries. The way to examine the justness of the Congress conclusion is to find the proportion between the salaries and the average income of India's millions, and, secondly, to compare both with the salaries and the average income of other countries."

Japanese Public Service. "I have now before me some figures about the Japanese public service, both superior and subordinate. Its Governor-General is getting less than Rs. 1,000 monthly, the Governor Rs. 600 to 800, the Secretariat staff anything between Rs. 150 and Rs. 500 monthly, the president of the Supreme Court less than Rs. 1,000, other judges anything between Rs. 150 and Rs. 700. The subordinate services get between Rs. 250 and Rs. 300, a police sergeant between Rs. 70 and Rs. 80. The average daily income of the Japanese per head is about four annas. Compared, then, with the figures of Japan, the Rs. 500 limit put by the Congress is over-generous."

Continuing, Mr. Gandhi writes: "No doubt the scale of living differs between the two countries, to a certain extent, because of the mode of life. But the mode of life is not an abstract term. It is relative, and a man who has surrounded himself with artificial wants, and created conditions out of all proportion to the natural surroundings in which the people of his country live, can claim to exceptional consideration because of his artificial mode of life."
 "Such people, unfortunately, we have in our midst. They will naturally feel the pinch during the transition stage, but they will soon accommodate themselves to the new and natural conditions when the maximum of Rs. 500 monthly will cease to appear so ludicrous as it does to-day."

LOCAL SHARES.

(Continued from Page 2.)

Hong Ropes have buyers at \$22.25 and sellers at \$22.40. Dairy Farms remain very steady at \$33.25 buyers with sellers asking \$34.00. Hong Kong Amusements are wanted at \$26.50 for the Old shares and \$23.50 and \$23.00 for the "A" and "B" shares. Constructions have advanced to \$14.40 buyers. Lane Crawfords are wanted at \$7.90 for the Old shares but very few are coming on the market. Watsons are quiet at \$18.60 nominal.

Exchange:—To-day's T.T. rate on London is 11½ and on Shanghai 79½.
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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre: "Derelict."
 To-day — Queen's Theatre: "Men Call It Love."
 To-day — Central Theatre: "Up Pops The Devil."
 To-day — Majestic Theatre: "Noah's Ark."
 To-day — Star Theatre: "The 13th Chair."
 To-day — Prince's Theatre: Paul Pedrini and his Royal Zambesi Baboons.

Radio.

See to-day's programme on page 13.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.

Home Mails.

To-day — Outward for Europe via Siberia (Pres. Cleveland), 5 p.m.

Land Sales.

September 8.—At P.W.D. Offices, three lots of Crown land, 3 p.m.

Lammer's Auction.

September 9.—At Sales Room, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-morrow—Tea Dance, Lane, Crawford's.

WAR DEBTS AFTER MORATORIUM.

Vital Points That May Arise.

Two vital questions are likely to arise once more in the near future, and the value of President Hoover's plan lies in the opportunity it gives for consideration of them in a calmer and less heated atmosphere than would otherwise have developed, states the current issue of the Midland Bank monthly "Review" in an article on war debts.

The more urgent question is in essence an extension of one which has engaged the attention of economists and what may be called politico-economists ever since the war: Is Europe, and Germany in particular, capable of bearing the increased burdens of war debts, including reparation, defined in monetary terms prior to the recent calamitous decline in the price level? It is one thing to adduce facts or authentic estimates, and quite another to arrange for their message to be translated into active measures of amelioration and relief.

It is possible, indeed, that the question might be brought to an issue by formal notice from Germany of danger to her "exchange and economic life" incurred by any attempt to transfer the postponable portion of the annuities. Such notice would furnish the preliminary cause for calling a special advisory committee as provided in the debt certificate of the German Government.

Possible Revision.

This procedure, states the Review, seems unlikely in view of the probable suspension of postponable payments under the Hoover plan, and it might therefore prove necessary to raise the question in some other manner. The initiative might conceivably be taken by the United States Government itself. True, Mr. Hoover has explicitly reiterated his opposition to "cancellation of debts due to us."

Nevertheless, some revision might be accomplished, without modification of this principle, in a manner that would benefit the ultimate debtor.

If, for example, the rate of interest on the debt of the British to the United States Government were substantially reduced, the direct benefit to Britain would be passed on, under agreement, pari passu to our own debtors, and Germany might be relieved to the extent of a few millions sterling per annum. Some such plan as this would have the additional advantage of according with the American principle, now restated by the President, that "reparation is necessarily wholly a European problem with which we have no relation"—that is to say, the United States, juridically speaking, recognises no connection between allied war debts and reparation.



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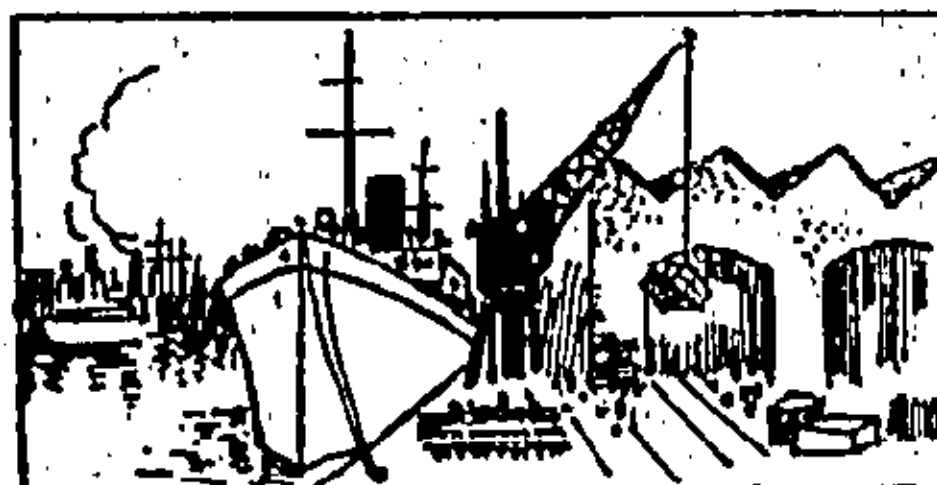
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WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Sept. 3	Sept. 4
West River at Shuihung	16.1	16.1
North River at Samshui	8.0	8.4
North River at Tsingyuen	9.0	9.2
East River at Shuihung	6.7	6.2
The highest levels recorded are:—		
Shuihung, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shuihung, 11.5 feet.		
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ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Thursday, September 3.
Haruna Maru, Japanese str., 6,311 tons, Captain T. Kurita, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Ryusei Maru, Japanese str., 1,509 tons, Capt. T. Tanaka, from Canton, Yumtani Anchorage.—D.K.K.

Friday, September 4.
City of Halifax, British str., 3,209 tons, Captain J. Baker, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4.—Bank Line.

Empress of Japan, British str., 15,725 tons, Capt. S. Robinson, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.S.
Gustav Diederichsen, Danish str., 1,353 tons, Capt. J. Jacobsen, from Singapore, buoy No. B19.—Kwong Nam & Co.

Hokozaki Maru, Japanese str., 6,310 tons, Capt. K. Ogawa, from Shanghai, buoy N. A1.—N.Y.K.

Hellon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Anderson, from Saigon, buoy No. C5.—Wo Fat Sing.

Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from Canton, Stonecutters Anchorage.—N.Y.K.

Shun Lee, Chinese str., 943 tons, Capt. B. Miyaka, from Amoy, buoy No. C4.—Yee Tai Hong.

Sun Kong, Chinese str., 322 tons, Capt. Leung Pat, from K. C. Wan, buoy No. C3.—Wo Hop & Co.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. R. Allinson, from Swatow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Vogtland, German str., 4,200 tons, Capt. H. Christensen, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

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The B.I. s.s. Talma left Shanghai for this port on September 4, a.m., and is due here on September 7, a.m.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

September 5 to 11, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER			LOW WATER		
August	Standard Times	Hr	Standard Times	Hr		
Sat. 5	H. M. S.	F	H. M. S.	F		
	10 19	57	11 31	2		
Sun. 6	14 4	53	17 4	3		
	03 0	61	11 0	2		
Mon. 7	08 05	64	13 13	1		
Tues. 8	04 30	62	12 07	1		
	1 32	4	32 30	4		
Wed. 9	01 18	4	13 50	3		
	07 21	74	0 49	3		
Thurs. 10	1 22	49	16 30	2		
	01 18	77	01 24	2		
Fri. 11	01 18	77	01 24	2		

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*KALYAN	9,000	26th Sept.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Ant- werp & Hull.
*MIRZAPUR	6,700	6th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MANTUA	11,000	10th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
*KASHMIR	9,000	24th Oct.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*BURDWAN	6,500	31st Oct.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
NALDERA	16,000	7th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHGAR	9,000	21st Nov.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	5th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
CORFU	16,000	19th Dec.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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*BURDWAN	6,500	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	9,000	25th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILWA	10,000	25th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NELLORE	7,000	6th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
SANTHA	8,000	9th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NALDERA	16,000	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,000	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	23rd Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MACEONIA	11,000	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	7,000	6th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
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By special permission of the Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth, I (Hector G. Bywater) was able to inspect this wonderful establishment during working hours. It is a veritable temple of gunnery. In one of the drill sheds I watched a miniature representation of a full-calibre "shoot" at long range, the target being three enemy battleships. Having witnessed many battle practices at sea, I was greatly impressed with the absolute fidelity with which every detail was reproduced. At one end of the shed were compartments, corresponding respectively to a ship's transmitting station—where the speed and course of the enemy are plotted—the spotting top, and the director tower, each compartment containing all the actual instruments used in fire-control.

The Morris Tube.

At the word of command the shoot began. A narrow panel in the partition at the far end of the shed clicked open, and there came into view three tiny ships in line ahead, just as real Dreadnoughts would appear at a distance of ten miles.

Now the ranges were read off, sights were adjusted for elevation and deflection, and the fire gong clanged. Instead of the deafening crash and blast of a 15in. salvo, I heard the crack of a Morris tube. Then, at the instant our shots were due to reach the target, a "time-of-flight" clock emitted its loud buzz, and simultaneously great splashes shot up near our target, the first ship in the line! Incredible as this may sound, I saw it all through the spotting officer's binoculars.

The range having been corrected from observation of the splashes, and also by reports from the transmitting station, we now opened rapid fire, and had the satisfaction of seeing waterspouts leap up each side of the target, denoting a "straddle." But just as we began hitting, the miniature ships altered course and speed, and fresh calculations had to be made before the target was found again.

Later I saw the elaborate mechanism by which it is possible to conduct these "big-gun" naval shoots in a building on land under such amazingly realistic conditions, but it is too confidential and much too complicated to describe here. Suffice it that the method gives

practical training to the fire-control officers and gunlayers who have to work the mighty guns of our battle fleet. The entire mechanism operates with mathematical precision, and while the purpose of these miniature shoots is strictly businesslike, they provide a spectacle that would thrill any schoolboy to the marrow.

It is one thing to aim a big naval gun from a fixed and immovable platform ashore, but quite another to keep the sights bearing when the platform is rolling and pitching as a ship does in a seaway. At Whale Island, therefore, there are guns, rangefinders, and searchlights on mountings which reproduce the movements of every type of vessel.

As a sub-lieutenant and lieutenant King George attended courses in H.M.S. Excellent during 1884-90, and I was shown the notebook he kept while serving there. It bears the inscription:

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And page after page is filled with entries in a bold, very legible hand, interspersed with diagrams.

£150,000 SHIPYARD FIRE.

Famous Speedboats Destroyed.

Southampton, August 3. Damage estimated at £150,000 was caused by fire at the British Power Boat Co.'s works at Hythe, Southampton Water, to-day.

The works were almost completely destroyed and several famous speedboats were lost. They included Miss Britain I, in which Mr. H. Scott-Paine (the managing owner of the company) won the Detroit News International Trophy in America last year, and again in the contest held in Southampton Water about a fortnight ago. Miss Britain II, built for the race this year but not used, a new boat of the 12-litre class, built by Mr. Scott-Paine in secret, for racing at Venice this month, and several motor-boats built for the Admiralty and the Royal Air Force, for use with flying boats, were also destroyed. It was at these works that the late Sir Henry Segrave's famous racer, Miss England I, was built.

The fire was discovered by a night watchman, and within a short while the flames, fanned by a strong sea breeze, were leaping to a height of 100ft. Within two hours the buildings and contents were in ruins.

It was feared that Murray's Hotel, adjoining, might be involved, and the landlord, with the help of neighbours, removed a good deal of the furniture.

Hythe and Southampton fire brigades, however, managed to save the hotel and the Vickers Supermarine Aviation Works, on the other side of the premises.

About 200 people will be thrown out of work.

CUNARD COMMODORE RETIRE.

From Sea to Golf
Course.

Southampton, August 5. Capt. E. G. Diggle, R.D., R.N.R., the Commodore of the Cunard Fleet, concluded a seagoing career which has lasted for over forty-three years, when he brought the Aquitania into Southampton docks from New York to-day.

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Capt. Diggle, who succeeded Capt. Sir Arthur Rostron to the command of the Mauretania in June, was presented by the passengers, who accompanied him on his last voyage in command, with a silver salver. It was handed to him by Sir Ronald Lindsay, British Ambassador to the United States.

In an interview, Capt. Diggle smilingly said: "Now I am going to devote a little time to improving my game of golf."

FOUR MEN PICKED UP.

Marooned Two Years On
Island.

After being exiled for two years on Campbell Island, in the South Pacific, four men have been picked up by a steamer and brought back to New Zealand.

Last November their flour and other provisions became exhausted. Their diet since then has been fish, with meat only occasionally. The marooned men are somewhat weakened by their experiences. Campbell Island, which is normally uninhabited, is about 150 miles S.E. of South Island, New Zealand. It is about thirty miles across.

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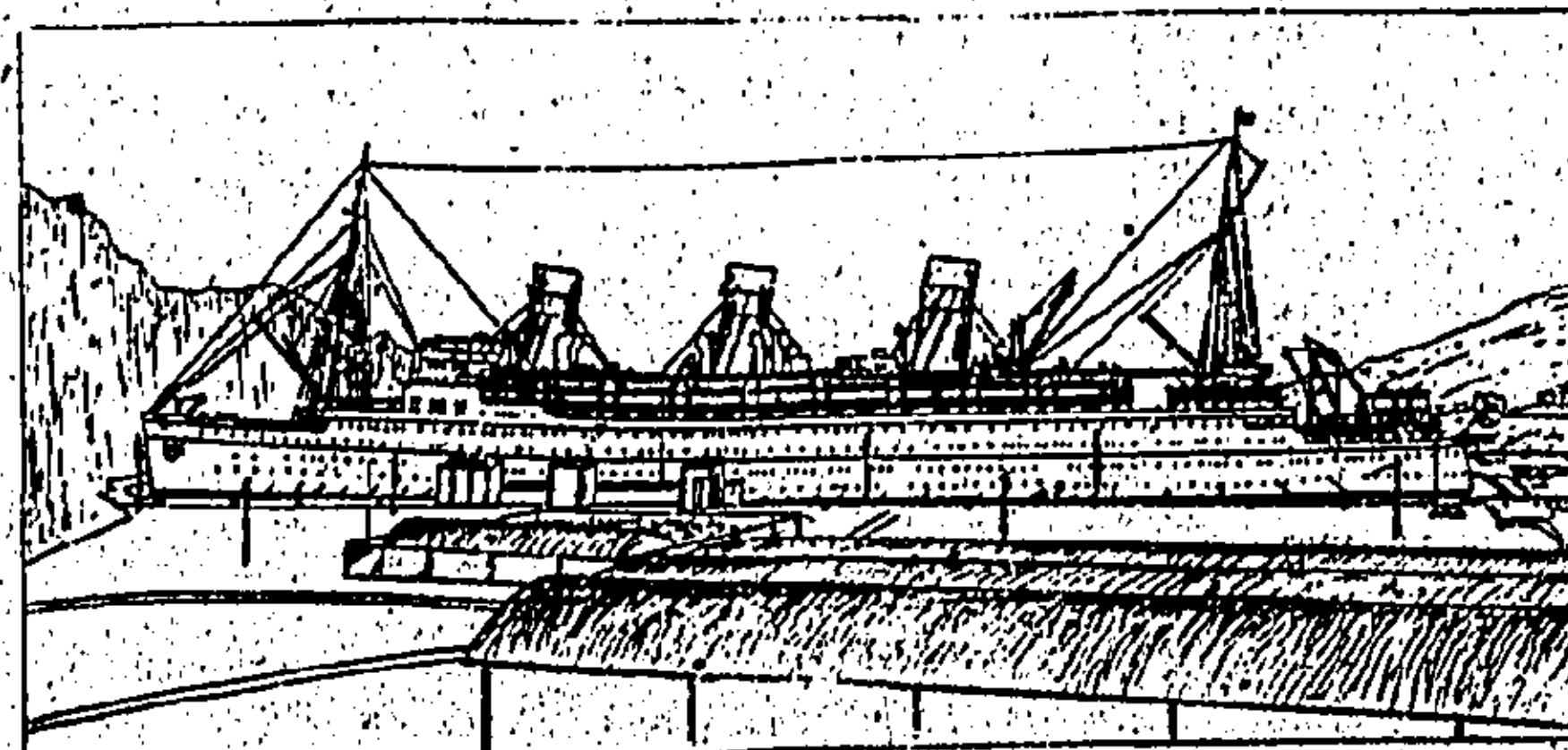
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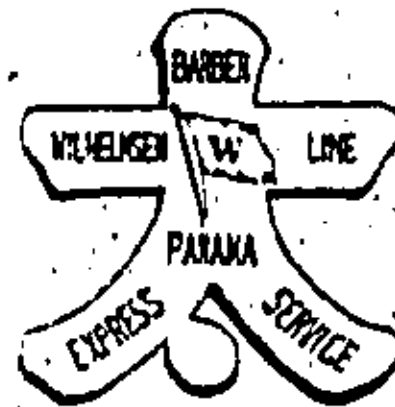
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TAI HING TUES.	15th	THURS.	17th	FRI.
TAI MING MON.	17th	SAT.	19th	SUN.
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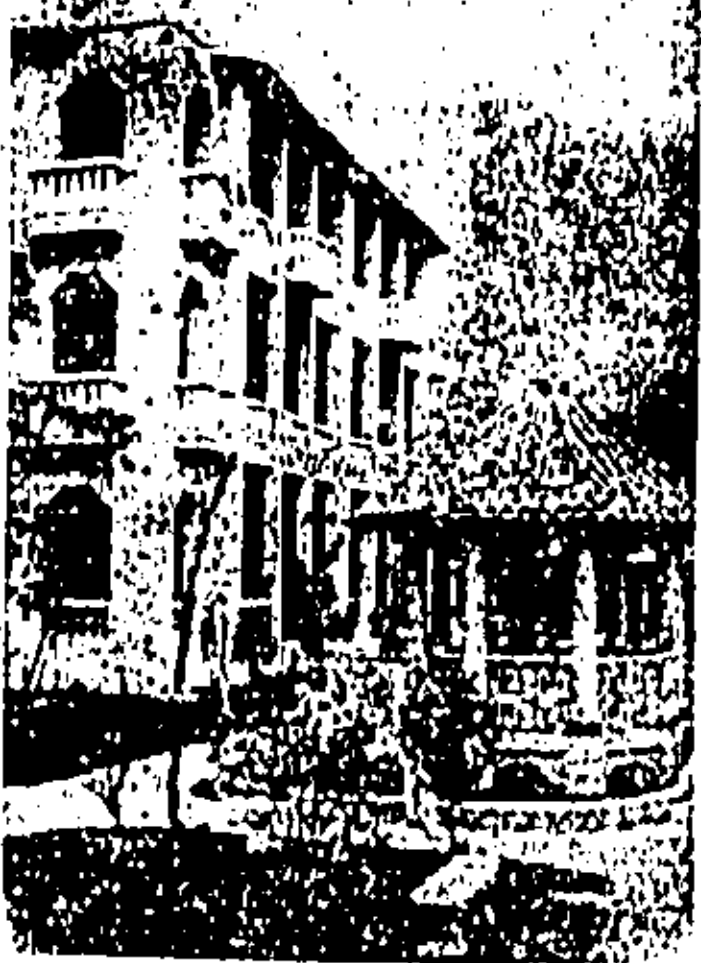
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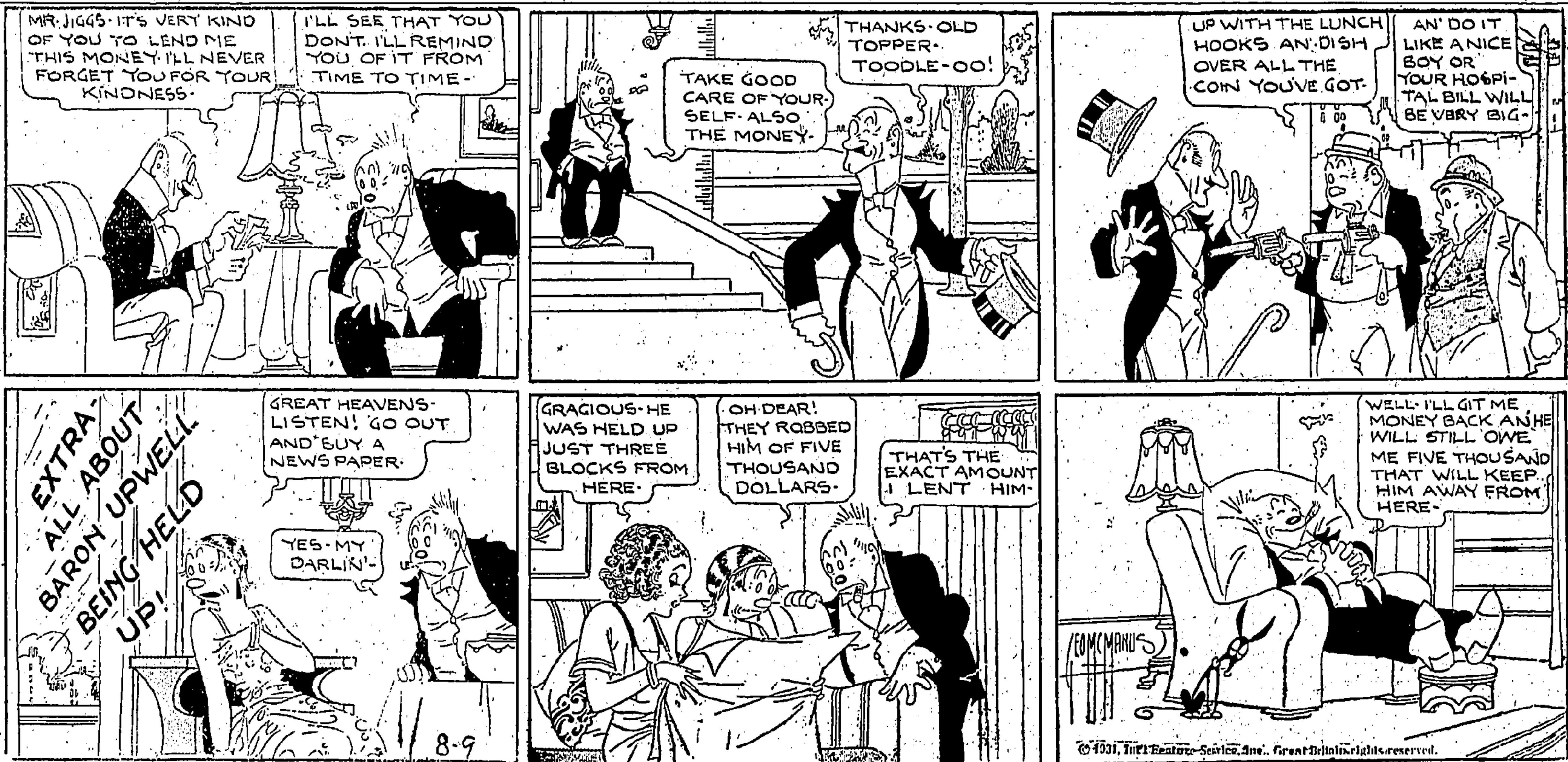
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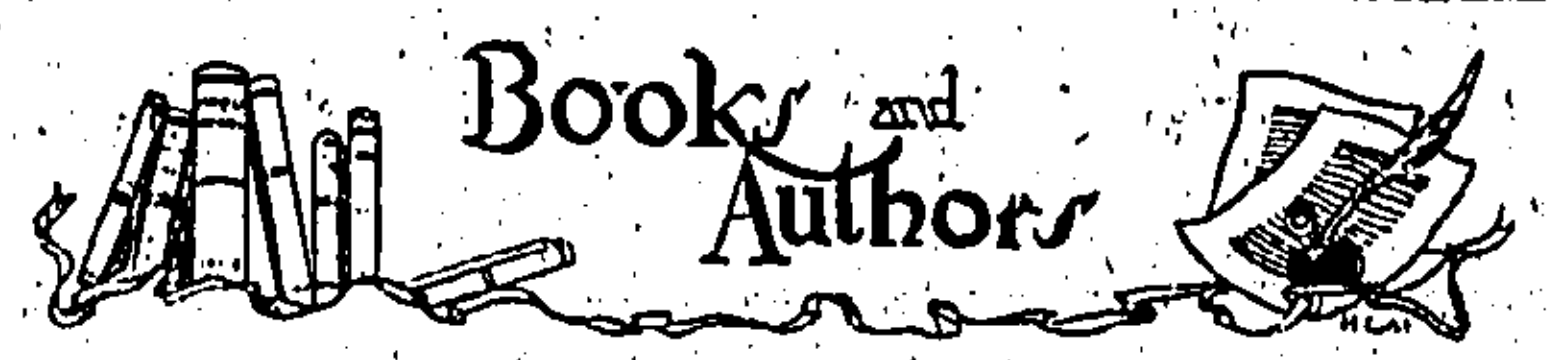
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COMING BOOKS.

Geoffrey Bles's Latest List.

Another fine autobiography on my Spring List is Dr. E. Boyd Barrett's "Ex-Jesuit" (10s. 6d. net), which is already in its second edition. The author, who is a Doctor of Philosophy of the University of Louvain, was for twenty years a Jesuit priest and is now a psycho-analyst in New York. In his book he tells you of his childhood at Dunloughaire, near Dublin; his schooling under the Jesuits at Clongowes; the ordeals of his training in the Jesuit Order; his experiences as a priest-and, finally, his decision to leave the Order and devote his life to science. This beautiful book which gives an insight into the life and thoughts of a Jesuit priest, is written with sincerity and sympathy, and it may be mentioned that although Dr. Barrett is no longer a Jesuit, he is still a devout Catholic and a celibate. Dr. J. M. Bulloch in The Sunday Times called it "an extremely interesting confession of faith" and Mr. Richard King in The Tatler wrote: "This very interesting autobiography shows how, step by step, the author was forced out of his religious calling, not because he had tried to exemplify that belief in a manner which he honestly thought enlarged its scope."

Early this year I went one Sunday morning to Heston Aerodrome to witness the departure of my friend Richard Halliburton on his flight round the world. As I watched his plane "The Magic Carpet" disappear into the blue, I anticipated with pleasure the publication of the book in which he will relate his new adventures. It ought to be even more exciting than his previous books, "The Royal Road to Romance," "The Glorious Adventure," and "New Worlds to Conquer," which have already gone through many editions

and been translated into every language of the world, with the possible exceptions of Swahili and Canarese.

Another very interesting biography is "Rousseau" (10s. 6d. net) by C. E. Vulliamy. Up to now Rousseau, whose writings were among the chief causes of the French Revolution, has rarely been treated in a detached and critical manner, and his teaching has been consistently obscured by hysterical laudation or virulent abuse. This book attempts to examine without bias the substance of Rousseau's philosophy and to relate the facts of his amazing life-his crazy love-affairs, his disposal of his mysterious children, his quarrels, his exiles and his wanderings.

Mr. Vulliamy has made a special study of the eighteenth century, and his previous book on "Voltaire" received high praise from the critics. The New Statesman reviewer said: "A very vivid impression of Voltaire's extraordinary personality is given in this extremely readable biography." The News Chronicle called it "one of the liveliest and most fascinating books we have come across for a long time"; and Mr. Cecil Roberts in The Sphere wrote: "This is an admirable biography of that magnificent old fighter, Voltaire, who probably achieved more for liberty than any other man in the history of civilisation."

—GEOFFREY BLES.



"B.P." STEALS A MARCH ON HIS STAFF.

The Chief Scout lost no time in getting back to harness on his return from his overseas tour. In spite of the fact that he and Lady Baden-Powell only landed at Southampton the day before and that he attended a dinner in London the same night, the Chief Scout was at his desk in the Boy Scout Headquarters before the earliest members of his staff arrived.

The Chief Scout will leave en route to Vienna for the Boy Scouts International Conference and will travel to Kandersteg to take part in the first World Moot of the Rover Scouts.

SCOUT FIRE FIGHTERS.

When the Royal Ashdown Forest Board of Conservators held their quarterly meeting, the prevention and fighting of forest fires was carefully considered. During the long discussion, it

was suggested that local Boy Scouts should be enlisted as special fire patrols in order to take steps against fire and render other services in this connection as far as possible.

The Road Traffic Act which, as originally passed, caused consternation among Boy Scout, and other juvenile workers, has now been amended.

The position is now as before the Road Traffic Act 1930 was passed, except in the matter of insurance period.

A lorry owner allowing Scouts to travel free must make sure that his insurance policy is not invalidated thereby so as to render him uninsured for the purposes of the Act period.

Scouts must not be carried for reward unless the vehicle is licensed therefore.



STORIES OF ANCIENT SICILY

ETNA.

Very beautiful is Etna, with its mantle of snow merging into its green and fertile slopes, and the thread of white smoke always drifting out towards the blue sea. Etna stands magnificently alone, and, strange to say, is beloved by the people of Sicily, in spite of the black and hideous lava which from time to time pours from it and swallows up orange and lemon grove, village and farm.

"In fifty years,—in a hundred years,—the black lava will be green with vines, and give us back the riches it once took," smile the Sicilians. "The best oranges, the sweetest almonds, the richest grapes grow upon the lava when the wind has covered it with earth. And where could Hephaestus tip his refuse if not upon the slopes of his workshop?" Indeed, they half believe that to this day the god of fire lives in Etna, making thunderbolts and earthquakes. They say that this

son of Zeus—better known by his Roman name of Vulcan—was



"Etna stands magnificently alone, and is beloved by the people of Sicily."

so ugly when he was born that his mother Hera threw him out of heaven; he fell into the Ionian

Sea; but was rescued and tended by water nymphs till he was nine years old. Then he climbed back to heaven, and his mother loved him in spite of his plain face. But alas, Hera and Zeus sometimes quarrelled; and one day, when Hephaestus was taking his mother's part in a dispute, Zeus caught the boy by the leg and flung him out of heaven again.

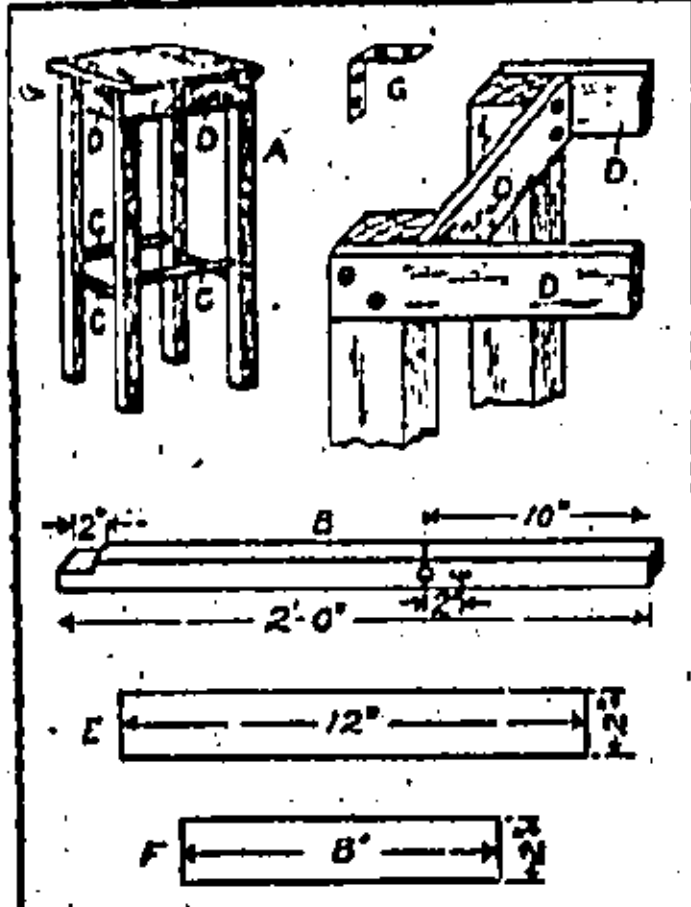
He fell for a whole day before he struck the earth, broke his leg, and ever after he was lame. Yet Hephaestus bore no ill-will; he only determined to make a name for himself in spite of his infirmity. He was clever, patient; and the god of fire, so he went to the lovely island of Sicily, and made a gigantic workshop not far from the sea, using the fire of the earth for his furnace. His abode was called Etna!

Here he forged armour for the hero Achilles, the sceptre of Agamemnon, fire-breathing bulls, and, as none of the gods could create a mortal woman, they asked Hephaestus to undertake it. He fashioned Pandora out of the earth, and, not knowing what to do with her, the gods sent her into the world with her famous box of gifts. Now Hephaestus was free to live in heaven or Etna, and he became the jeweller and metal-worker of the gods. In spite of his ugly face and lame leg, he married Venus, the goddess of love and beauty. And the Sicilians still watch that thin line of smoke drifting out to sea, and say that the mighty god of fire is working at his forge in the heart of Etna.

THE BILLY BOYS' WORKSHOP.

Making A Tall Stool.

To make this strong stool, you will require four two-foot lengths of one-and-a-half-inch square



You may care to make a high stool like this; Carpenter explains how to set about it.

bushings for the legs. Plane these on all sides and then, with your try-square, mark a line across each two inches from the top end. Saw down on each line to a depth of half an inch, and with a chisel carefully remove the pieces not required.

Now, with a seven-eighths inch centre-bit, make two holes three-quarters of an inch deep in

each leg, spaced to the dimensions given in diagram B. Study diagram A carefully to see on which sides of the legs the holes have to be made. The cross-bars C, which have to fit into these holes, can be cut from a round wooden rod, such as a broom handle, seven-eighths inch in diameter. Two pieces, ten and a half inches long and two pieces seven and a half inches long will be required.

Now cut four pieces of half-inch wood to the dimensions given in diagram E and F. These are for the top bracing pieces D, the ends of which must be screwed to the legs as shown in the top right hand diagram. Just before fixing the parts D in place, glue the ends of the rods C into the holes in the legs.

For the top of the stool, cut a piece of wood, thirteen inches long, ten inches wide and five eighths inch thick. Plane this on both sides and, after rounding the corners with your chisel, round the four sides with a plane and finish with glasspaper. Fix the top by means of four small iron angle-pieces as shown at G, screwed to the inner sides of the parts D. Then screw it down from underneath so that no fixing screws show on the upper surface.

Finally, fix the rods C securely by a screw driven into each end through the legs. Deeply countersink the holes for the screws, and then plug them to hide the screw heads.

The finished stool can be varnish-stained or painted.

The Hut Carpenter.

OUR SWEET-MAKING CORNER.

Glaze Fruits.

These delicious sweets are quite easy to make. Any small fresh fruit or quarters of tangerine oranges may be used.

Put half a pound of sugar into a saucepan with an eggcupful of water, and allow the sugar to dissolve slowly. Add a teaspoon of glucose. (For a few pence you can buy glucose from any chemist, and it is very useful for all sorts of hard toffee). Stir slowly, and boil the syrup till it begins to colour. When a little dropped in cold water hardens at once, it is ready.

If you are covering cherries, take one at a time by the stalk, dip it into the syrup, and place it to dry on a slightly buttered dish. Use a fork for the other fruit, and drain it by the side of the saucepan before placing it to set.

WENDY'S LITTLE NEEDLEWOMEN

Furnishings For Your "Very Own Room."

One of our Tinkites has written to say that her Mother has promised her a tiny attic bedroom of her very own, if she will make all the trimmings for it herself! So you can imagine how happily we have set about planning things for this wee room can't you?

Suppose we begin with the bedspread. The easiest and prettiest idea is to make a quaint

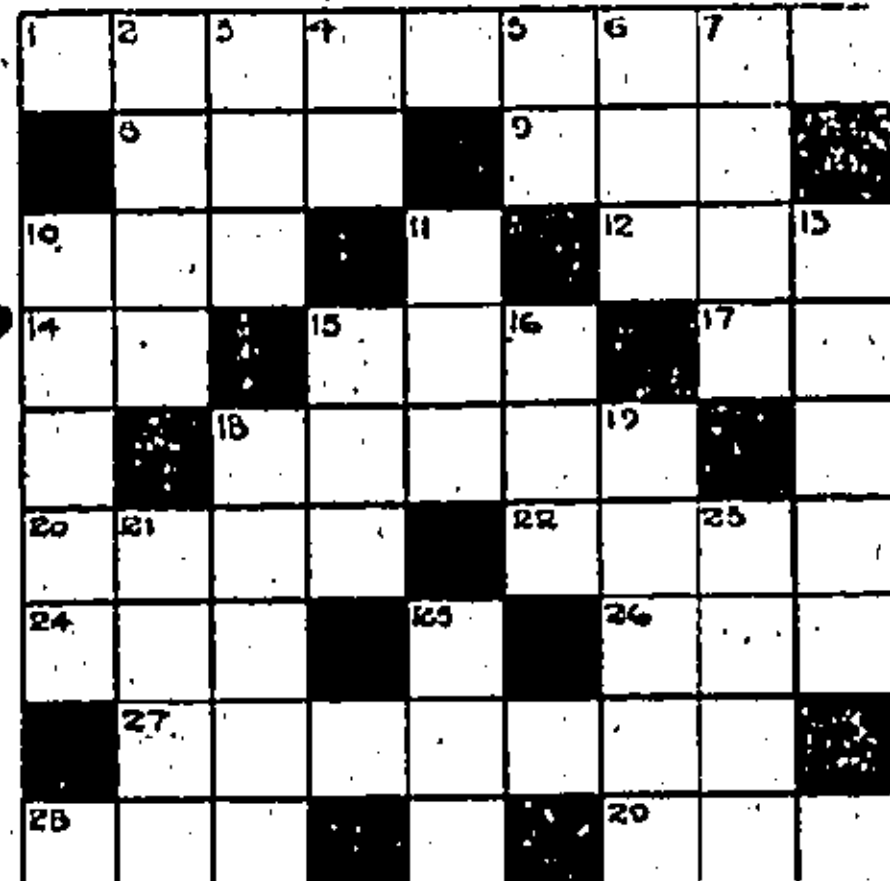
TINK'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE.

The letters printed beside last week's puzzle were U N Y Y. If you said them, and then thought things out, I expect you quickly came to the conclusion that the hidden word was "unwise." Full solution:—

- Across.
1. Disorderly crowd (Moh).
 3. Summit (Top).
 5. Not early (Late).
 6. Hidden word (Unwise).
 10. Ripped (Tore).
 12. Preposition (To).
 14. Compass point (NE).
 15. Conjunction (Or).
 16. Girl's name (Ida).
 18. Part of verb "to be" (Are).
 19. Came back (Returned).

- Down.
1. Small carpet (Mat).
 2. Not sharp (Blunt).
 3. Irritate (Tease).
 4. Deep hole in the ground (Pit).
 7. Gained (Won).
 8. Anger (Ire).
 9. Disturb (Stir).
 11. Boy's name (abbreviated) (Fred).
 13. Poem (Ode).
 15. Substance from which metal is extracted (Ore).
 17. Preposition (At).
 18. One (An).

Now who can guess the name of the game suggested by the drawing this week. It is hidden in the puzzle as usual.



Can you guess what game this represents?

Clues:—

- Across.
1. Helper.
 3. Stupid person.
 5. Number.
 10. Cunning.
 12. Moisture.
 14. Pronoun.
 15. As well.
 17. Perform.
 18. Hidden word.
 22. Preposition.
 23. Plaything.
 24. Same as 13 across.
 26. Fish.
 27. Marks of different colour.
 28. Affirmative.
 29. Perceive.
- Down.
2. Flat fish.
 4. Utter in words.
 5. As far as.
 6. Conjunction.
 7. Require.
 10. Move about.
 11. Animal.
 13. Boy's name (abbreviated).
 16. Not young.
 18. Footwear.
 19. More footwear.
 21. Flower.
 23. Mislay.
 25. Number.

patchwork quilt. You must ask all your friends to save pieces of material for you; have the patches fairly large, and don't make them all rectangular. It may take a bit longer to piece uneven scraps together, but the result will be much attractive. Joint the patches neatly on the wrong side, and when the quilt is being enough, you can go over all the joins on the right side with chain or feather stitching in coloured thread. A three-inch border of plain material will complete the spread.

A "humpty cushion" like the one in the picture is another useful thing for your little bedroom—it will do instead of a chair! Use ordinary sacking, and cut a circle sixteen inches across for the top. Draw a pencil circle on the sacking, fourteen inches across, and then lay a small coffee cup on top of the

pencilled line. Draw round the cup; move it along, draw round it again, and so on, until the pencilled circle is quite covered. Work these little pencilled rounds with coloured wools, to suggest gay flowers, using button-hole lazy-daisy, and straight stitches. When you have finished this, cut a strip of sacking twenty-four inches deep and long enough to fit round the top; join up the sides to form a tube, and stitch it to the top on the wrong side. Make a casing round the other edge, and thread a strong tape through. Now fill the empty humpty with small balls of crumpled newspaper, packing the filling firmly into the corners, and pressing down well all over. Push the humpty into shape, pull up the tape, and tie tightly. You can always open it, and stuff more papers in, as it wears flat with use!

Next week we'll tell you how to make your own little dressing-table and window curtains! Wendy's Dressmaker.



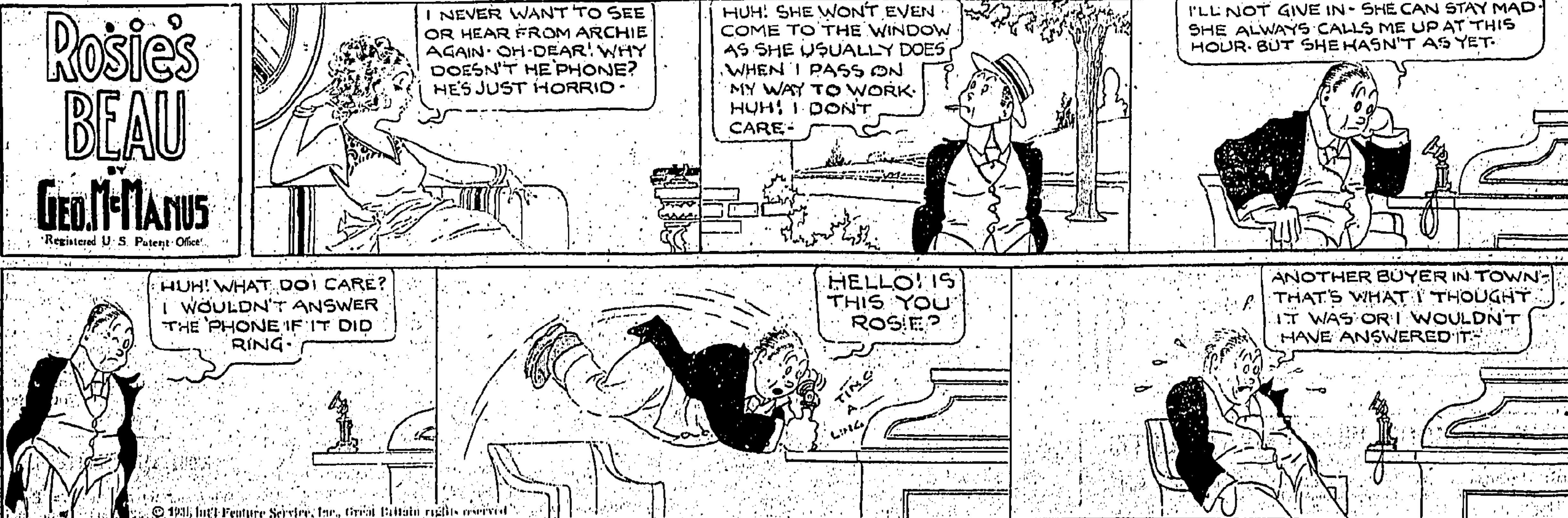
This week's Dressmaker tells you how to make a patchwork quilt and a "humpty" for your very own bedroom.



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What Mail Reviewers Say.

"NOAH'S ARK"

In producing "Noah's Ark" in
sound with talking sequences,
Warner Brothers have kept remark-
ably well to the Biblical story of the
great flood and the change that it
brought about in the world. The
film, which marks an outstanding
success for the producers, techni-
cians and all who had a hand in it,
is having its final run at the Majes-
tic Theatre. It is a film, that is
really worth while seeing.

The superb cast is headed by
George O'Brien and Dolores Cost-
ello, both enacting their roles
very well. Noah Beery, Gwynn
Williams, Paul McAllister, Nigel de
Bruillier and Anders Randolph con-
tribute in no small measure to its
success.

During the course of the film, the
modern parallel to the story of Noah
and the Ark is depicted.

From Other Sources.

"KICK IN"

Flaming youth and the flapper are
old-fashioned!

The gay young thing who thrill-
ed and cavorted in high schools
and colleges a few years ago, and
was portrayed on the screen with
such success by Clara Bow, the
"IT" girl, the red-haired flapper,
has grown up.

According to Clara, the flapper
has joined the hall of fame with
the "chicken" of 1913; the girl of
the hobble skirt; the bicycle girl;
the girl of the bustles and pads and
leg-of-mutton sleeves; the girl of
the Mauve decade and the Victorian
age. The recent return to favour
of the long skirt sounded the death-
knell of the flapper, says the
Brooklyn Bonfire.

And with the flapper also dis-
appears the Clara Bow of the
"flaming youth." The irresistible
Clara, no longer the fiery flapper
star, has grown up, too, and in her
latest starring picture, "Kick In,"
joins the ranks of the screen's
foremost dramatic stars. "Kick In,"
the next attraction at the
King's Theatre, marks the begin-
ning of the new Clara Bow—the
end of the old.

"Kick In" is the drama of a girl
who marries an ex-convict and
fights with him against the law's
efforts to drag him back to prison;
against his friends' pleadings to
join with them in dangerous law-
breaking; against his own desire
to yield to temptation. In "Kick
In," Clara Bow plays the first
dramatic part she has had since
"Ladies of the Mob," and returns
to the kind of role which made her
famous before the call for the "IT"
girl rang round the world.

In her early pictures, "Wine" and
"Children of Divorce," she stood
out as a girl of strong personality,
vivid, gay, bubbling with youth,
effervescent with joy. And, sud-
denly, she found delightful little
flapper roles sandwiched in
between more serious parts.

Now the flapper roles are gone,
with flapper age, and another Clara
Bow emerges to realize the fame
which the earliest role promised.

In "Kick In," directed by Richard
Wallace, who piloted Ruth Chat-
terton through "The Right to
Love," Clara Bow has a splendid
supporting cast, headed by Regis
Toomey, Leslie Fenton and Wynne
Gibson. The absorbing story is
taken directly from the famous
stage play by Willard Mack.

"MEN CALL IT LOVE"

It is a disappointment to see
Adolphe Menjou wearing golf
knickers in only one scene but after
he goes back to his evening clothes
and top hat in "Men Call It Love"
you are just as well pleased.

In the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
feature, which is showing at the
Queen's Theatre, Menjou plays the
part of a golf champion. He seems
to devote most of his matches,
however, to the boudoirs of other
men's wives.

Edgar Selwyn directed the film,
which is a pictorialisation of the
Vincent Lawrence stage farce,
"Among the Married." He
managed to bring it to the screen
almost intact in dialogue but en-
hanced by action limited on the
stage by obvious circumstances.

In the cast Selwyn has assembled
such brilliant players as Lella
Hyams, who is the wife who tried
to be untrue to her husband just

for spite; Norman Foster, the hus-
band whose infidelity brought his
wife to seek retribution; Mary
Duncan, someone else's wife whose
adventuring brought Foster into a
pitfall, and Hedda Hopper, as the
mistress-of-ceremonies, as to speak,
of the illicit intrigues going
on in her social world. Robert
Emmett Keane is a hen-pecked hus-
band.

The picture abounds with pic-
torial interest and the settings and
costumes are lavish.

"UP POPS THE DEVIL"

"Up Pops the Devil." Para-
mount's comedy-romance now
showing at the Central Theatre,
has in its cast nearly a dozen of
the most capable romantic and
character actors in Hollywood.

Skeets Gallagher, Sturt Erwin,
Carole Lombard, Lilyan Tashman
and Norman Foster head the cast.
Others are Edward J. Nugent,
Theodore von Eltz, Joyce Compton,
Harry Beresford, Sleep N. Eat and
Guy Oliver.

"Up Pops the Devil" is based on
the Broadway comedy hit of the
same name which proved a great
success at the Masque Theatre in
New York the past season.

The story concerns the marital
difficulties of Norman Foster and
Carole Lombard, as the young writ-
er and his ex-dancer wife.

"DERELICT"

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at the King's Theatre, which
the great George Bancroft depicts
a masterful character taken right
from the salty ocean, in a manner
that is thoroughly moving and con-
vincing. In a drama of deep-sea love
and hate that will stir you to the
very depths of your soul.

We have seen the mighty Ban-
croft in "The Mighty," in "Ladies
Love Brutes," since that first
tremendous offering, "Wolf of Wall
Street." But never have we seen
him so much at home, so dominant
of his situation, so completely the
man. Bancroft is real in "Derelict,"
and "Derelict" is a real story.

A belligerent, two-isted sea cap-
tain, fighting to keep a sluggish
tramp steamer afloat through the
fury of a tropical storm. Out of the
angry night comes the frantic
staccato signal of ship in distress
—"S.O.S."—"S.O.S."—and he knows
that, aboard the floundering craft
is the one man in the world he
hates, and the woman who double-
crossed him.

That's the climatic situation of
"Derelict," and if you can imagine
anything more full of possibilities
for dynamic Bancroft action, we
can't. William Boyd, seen with
Gary Cooper in "The Spoilers," is
Bancroft's rival in "Derelict," a
fighting seaman, who can battle
with both fists when the occasion
demands. Jessie Royce Landis is
both beautiful and capable. She
adds distinction to her part in
"Derelict."

"OUTSIDE THE LAW"

The law lost a good actor when
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on the stage. And now he has
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Masked Ball—Selection
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8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather
Report.

7.23-8.08 p.m.—Variety.
Song—
March of the Grenadiers.
Dream Lover,
Jeannette MacDonald, Soprano.
Song—
She's a New Kind of Old-Fashioned
Girl,
I Kiss Your Hand, Madame,
Jack Smith (Whiskering
Baritone).

Piano Duet—
After You've Gone,
St. Louis Blues,
Thomas Waller and Bennie
Paine.

Song—
Mama! Inez,
Bonsoir,
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone).

Piano Solo—
Sweet Savannah Sue,
Ain't Misbehavin' . . . Thomas Waller.

Song—
Pistol Packin' Papa,
Those Gambler's Blues,
Jimmie Rodgers with Guitar.

8.08-8.25 p.m.—Operatic.
Pearl Fishers—Selection
(Bizet arr. Creatore).
Creatore's Band.

8.25-9.07 p.m.—Instrumental.
Violin Solo—
Romance in F (Beethoven),
Jacques Thibaud.

Piano Solo—
Ballad in G Minor (Chopin),
Alfred Cortot.

Violin Solo—
Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow)
(Kreisler),
Liebesfreud (Love's Joy)
(Kreisler) . . . Fritz Kreisler.

Organ Solo—
The Herd Girl's Sunday
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Hardanger Violin Solo—
Lengst Tonestykke (Halder Meland),
Canal Brurslat (Frut Hardanger),
Halvor Brathen.

9.07-9.30 p.m.—Orchestral.
Marche Joyeuse (Chabrier-Hinrichs),
Victor Symphony Orchestra.

In the Mountain Pass
(Ippolotow-Iwanow),
In the Mosque (Ippolotow-Iwanow),
Victor Symphony Orchestra.

Morning: Noon and Night in Vienna—
Overture (Sappé),
Vienna Philharmonic Orch.

9.30-11.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox Trot—
A Big Bouquet for You,
I'm Learning a Lot From You,
Bolero.

Tango—
La Seduccion
Fox Trot—
When a Black Man's Blue,
Mood in Rio,
I Bring a Love Song.

Waltz—
You Will Remember Vienna,
Fox Trot—
The River and Me,
Keep a Song in Your Soul,
Say "Hello" to the Folks Back Home,
Heartaches.

Waltz—
Forever,
I Love You Then as I Love You Now,
Fox Trot—
Baby Won't You Please Come Home,
Hullabaloo.

Waltz—
What's the Use,
I'd Like to Find the Guy That Wrote
the Stein Song.

Tango—
Your Sad Eyes,
Wanda,
Fox Trot—
Swingin' in a Hainmoek,
Cheer Up,
After a Million Dreams.

Waltz—
Romance,
Fox Trot—
Keep Your Undershirt On,
What Would I Care?
Believe It or Not!

Waltz—
I Love the Moon,
Fox Trot—
On the Beach with You,
Ooh! Hoo! You-Hoo!
Deep in the Arms of Love.

Waltz—
I'll Close My Eyes to the Rest
of the World,
Fox Trot—
Sittin' on a Rainbow,
In My Heart It's You.

Waltz—
Just Another Kiss,
If We Should Never Meet Again,
11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

ing picture with John Bolles as
Prince Dmitri and Miss Lupe Velas
as Katusha Maslova, is a Universal
production, directed by Edwin
Carewe, the famous director of the
screen. This super-production is
on its way to this Colony, and will
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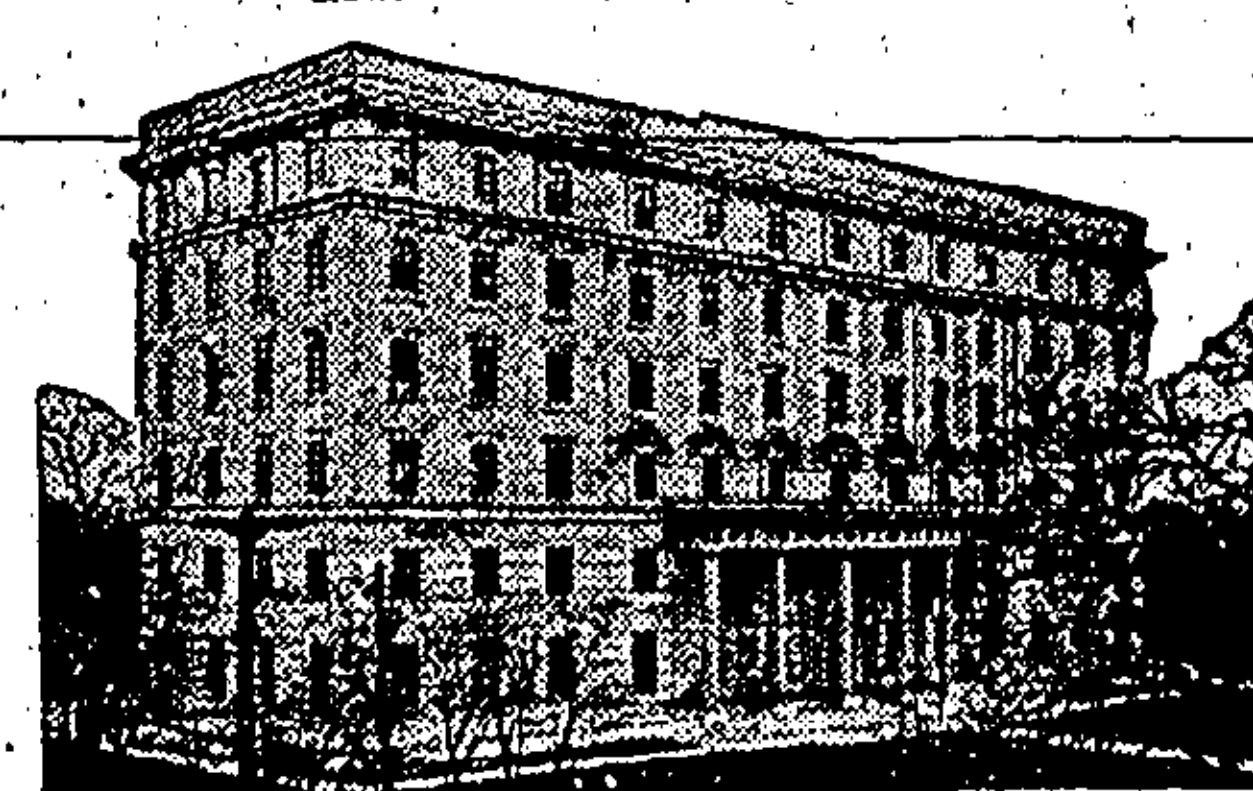
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VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Orders for the Coming
Week.

INTER-SECTION MUSKETRY.

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commanding Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, are issued as under:—

PARADES.

Corps Band.

The Corps Band will parade at Headquarters for Band Practice on Friday, September 11, and Monday, September 14.

All practice parades must in future be regularly attended by all members.

Corps Signals.

Parades for Signalling, Instruction will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, and Friday.

Armoured Car Company.

Car Section.—Parade on Monday, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Those detailed will proceed to Kennedy Road Range to fire Part 1 M.G. Remainder M.G. Instruction under crew commanders.

Instructors.—Parade at Headquarters on Friday at 5.30 p.m.

Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade in mufti, fall in at 5.30 p.m., sharp, in close columns of Platoons for training as per Platoon Programme, on Tuesdays, September 8 and 15.

No. 1 Platoon is allotted the Kennedy Road Range on Tuesday, and will not fall in with the Company on this date but will proceed to the Kennedy Road Range under O.C. No. 1 Platoon who will submit attendance roll to the C.S.M.

All N.C.O.'s will parade under Sergt. Terry on Tuesday.

Field Day.—All ranks are asked to keep Sunday, September 13 free for Beach Firing at Stanley in the morning followed by a bathing picnic from 1 p.m. Further particulars will be issued to Corps Orders at a later date.

Musketry.—The Inter-section competition will commence at the Peak Range to-morrow at 9.30 a.m. Range Officer—Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes.

Revised Handicaps will be announced at the Range on that day and there will be the usual Individual Spoon Shoot Competition.

Renewals.—Will Platoon Commanders please see that any renewals required for members of their Platoons are submitted to the C.Q.M.S. before next Tuesday's Parade.

Portuguese Company.

All ranks are reminded that the Training Season 1931-32 commences on Friday.

The Corps Diary and Company Training Programmes are in the hands of Platoon Commanders to whom application for same should be made.

Scottish Company.

Parade on Thursday for Machine Gun Training as under:—

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Docks at 5.30 p.m.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

There will be an inter platoon miniature Range Shoot on the 10th instant at Headquarters, details of which will be issued later to members selected to represent their platoon.

Will those members who wish to have any clothing or equipment

"HILL" IN THE NORTH SEA.

Unfair to Blame
Earthquake.

Is the upheaval in the North Sea, reported to have been discovered by a Norwegian skipper, due to the undersea earthquake which shook England last June? The Royal Geological Society is very doubtful about it.

"The captain appears to have discovered, by soundings, that the depth was only 144 feet, when, according to his chart, it should have been 228 feet," an official of the Society said to The Evening News. "It is most unlikely, however, that this newly found 'hill' was caused by the earthquake."

"If the earthquake had caused a sea upheaval of 144 feet there would (Continued at foot of next Column.)

changed send in request to C.S.M. Parkinson, c/o Headquarters as soon as possible.

The Officers commanding the undermentioned Units will issue their Orders separately to their commands:—

1.—Battery.

2.—Engineer Company.

3.—Machine Gun Troop.

Rifles and Bayonets.

The undermentioned have not yet returned their rifles and/or bayonets to Store for annual inspection, in accordance with Corps Orders No. 24/31 of June 5, 1931:—

Corps Signals.—L/Cpl. A. Tarbuck.

Machine Gun Troop.—Tpr. G. P. Lammert and Tpr. R. A. Fawcett.

These must be returned forthwith.

Appointment and Promotion.

No. 1515 Pte. C. E. Moore, No. 1 Platoon, is promoted to Lance Corporal with effect from 2.9.31.

Struck Off The Strength.

Having left the Colony.—No. 1235 L/Cpl. J. K. Shaw, Reserve Company, as from 4.9.31.

Strength.

The following have been taken on the Corps Strength:—

No. 1715 Pte. J. R. Way, A. Car Co., Motor Cycle Section.

No. 1716 Pte. E. M. R. Fleming, No. 3 Platoon.

No. 1717 Pte. F. G. Maunder, No. 3 Platoon.

No. 1718 Gnr. A. H. Dinnen, Battery.

Leave.

Capt. W. H. G. Goater, M.C., D.S.O., Corps Headquarters, granted 9 days leave from 4.9.31 to 12.9.31.

No. 1411 Pte. A. D. Coppin, No. 1 Platoon, granted 12 months leave from 28.8.31 to 27.8.32.

No. 1353 Pte. S. V. Gittins, No. 2 Platoon, granted 3 weeks leave from 1.9.31 to 21.9.31.

No. 1423 L/Cpl. L. Roza Pereira, No. 10 Platoon, granted 16 days leave from 6.9.31 to 21.9.31.

No. 1924 Pte. H. M. Remedios, No. 10 Platoon, granted 16 days leave from 6.9.31 to 21.9.31.

No. 1468 Pte. W. Lawrence, No. 9 Platoon, granted 16 days leave from 6.9.31 to 21.9.31.

No. 1076 Pte. C. A. Figueiredo, No. 9 Platoon, granted 16 days leave from 6.9.31 to 21.9.31.

No. 1593 Pte. E. da Roza, No. 12A Platoon, granted 16 days leave from 6.9.31 to 21.9.31.

(Sgd) W. H. G. GOATER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTE ISSUES

Official Monthly
Returns.

POSITION ON AUGUST 31.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended August 31, 1931, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks is as follows:—

Bank	Average Amount	Specie in Reserve
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$23,158,725	\$ 8,300,000
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	124,824,126	112,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.	3,598,024	1,350,000
Total	\$151,580,775	\$121,650,000

* In addition Sterling Securities are deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,331,700.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$3,078,000.

‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$180,000.

The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):—

Security	Amount	Latest market price
5% Treasury Bonds payable @ 100 in 1937/38	£180,000	100 1/4 - 101 1/2

INFLAMMABLE LIQUIDS.

The fees to be charged and paid for licences to store dangerous goods, which licences will expire on March 21 next after the date of the issue thereof, shall be as follows:—

For every licence to store inflammable liquids, whether packed or in bulk, where the permitted quantity exceeds 500 gallons \$100
For every other licence to store dangerous goods \$ 10

have been a terrific tidal wave, which would have swept over Whitty and Scarborough and other coast towns in the district.

On a Ridge.

"What is more likely," the official went on, "is that the captain happened to take his soundings in a particular place where no soundings have been taken before, and his line rested on the top of a hitherto undiscovered ridge."

"This has happened before. Not long ago, a new river bed in the North Sea was discovered in this way."

Trinity House, which supervises the pilot, lightships and lighthouses round Great Britain, has received no report of the supposed discovery.

The secretary stated that even supposing the depth at that spot had been decreased by 114 feet, there was no danger whatever.

"Even the greatest ship—like the Berengaria for instance—only draw about 36 feet of water," he said.

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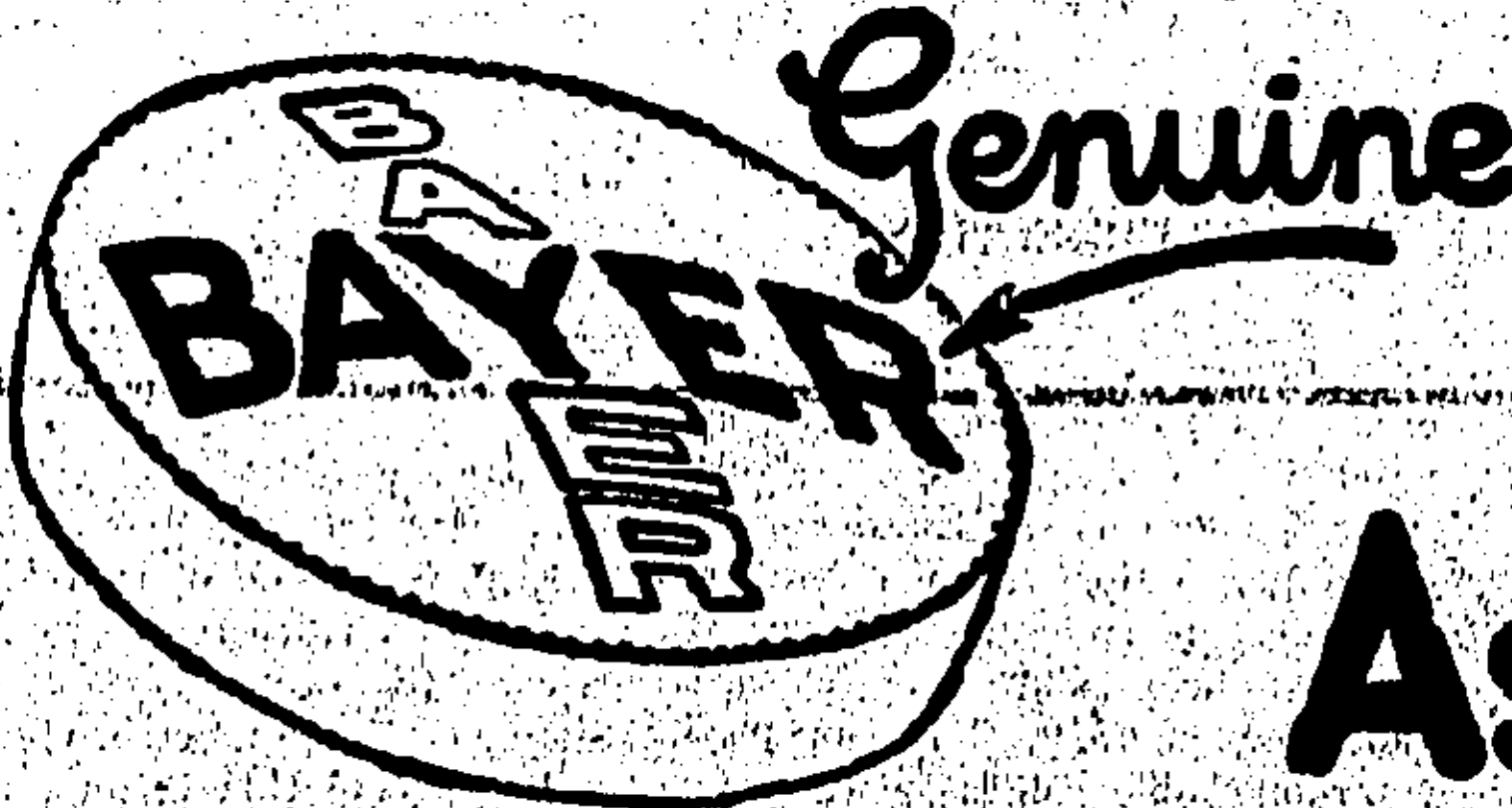
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